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Eritrean forces agree to unite

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, Jan. 10 — Three factions of the Eritrean liberation movement reached an agreement here Monday to unify their forces in what is seen as a historic move in the struggle against Ethiopian domination.

The Eritrean Liberation Front (ELF) headed by Abdulla Idris, the People's Liberation Forces (PLF) led by Osman Sa'ib Sabe and the Central Council for the People's Liberation Forces led by Abu Bakr Muhammad Gimma decided to unify their forces, adopt a new program and constitution to contain all institutions belonging to the three groups. A period of six months has been agreed upon to carry out this decision.

In the meantime, each group will hold a meeting to elect the leadership to be entrusted with implementation of the unity plan. Councils elected by the grassroots of the three groups will then meet to form a unified organization under the umbrella, "The Eritrean Liberation Front." This conference will elect an executive committee, draw up a political program and draft a new constitution for the organization.

The agreement statement calls for banning any sectarian or tribal grouping within the new organization. Speaking to *Arab News* after the signing, Idris said that the motives for this resolution were the desire of the Eritrean people to unify their forces and the readiness of



the leadership to meet this demand. "Moreover, there were genuine efforts exerted by our friends and brothers like Saudi Arabia who are great assets to our struggle," he said.

The present agreement, however, does not include the powerful Eritrean People's Liberation Forces which still maintains a foothold in the hill-town of Nacfa.

The Eritrean scene has witnessed many unity efforts in the past which collapsed for one reason or another. But this one is regarded as a step forward in view of the determined efforts by Ethiopia to crush the Eritrean aspirations by force. The efforts were exemplified by last year's sixth military offensive called "The Red Star."

Nonaligned blame U.S. for plight of Americas

MANAGUA, Jan. 10 (AP) — A draft resolution by Cuba and Nicaragua accusing the United States of trying to "plague the Americas with misery" sets the anti-U.S. tone expected to prevail at a meeting here of the nonaligned movement.

The week-long meeting opened Monday at the end of more than 40 months of Cuban leadership of the movement, which now has 97 members.

America is not a member and has not requested observer status, but will try to get diplomats admitted as spectators to some of the sessions, a U.S. Embassy official said.

"The tone of this thing seems pretty well set," he added. "We expect rough treatment."

The 23-page Cuban-Nicaraguan resolution was drawn up at a ministerial meeting of nonaligned members in New York in October, but the contents were not disclosed while it was circulated among members. A copy was made available to the Associated Press here.

It has been modified at least once and likely will undergo other changes, but diplomats say they do not expect any major shift in its slant.

The document indirectly calls for the admission of Cuba and the expulsion of the United States from the Organization of American States. American withdrawal from its naval base at Guantanamo, Cuba, payment of compensation to Cuba for damages from the former U.S. blockade of the island and for "all other imperialist acts of aggression."

It blames the United States for increased tensions in the Caribbean and Central and South America and calls for modification of the "intransigence of extra-regional powers (the United States) that insist on maintaining old doctrines that reject all new political experiments in the region."

The document concludes with a quote from the late South American liberator Simon Bolivar that says the United States "seems destined by providence to plague the Americas with misery in the name of progress."

Initially the meeting was to be a preparatory meeting for the nonaligned summit to be held in March in India.

Kenyan awarded death penalty

NAIROBI, Jan. 10 (R) — A Kenyan air force lieutenant was sentenced to death Monday for treason charges arising out of a failed coup attempt last August.

Samson Onyango was the first commissioned officer to receive the death penalty by court martial. Since September five non-commissioned officers have been sentenced to death for treason and nearly 400 airmen jailed on mutiny charges.

The court was told that Onyango took an oath of allegiance with the five non-commissioned officers last July in Nanyuki, 160 kilometers north of Nairobi, where Kenya's major air base is located.

Janata coalition takes office in Karnataka state

NEW DELHI, Jan. 10 (R) — A coalition headed by the Janata Party took office in the southern Indian state of Karnataka Monday following the defeat of federal Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's Congress Party in regional elections last week.

The Janata Party coalition won 94 state assembly seats out of 224 in the elections and has sufficient support from other local parties to give it a clear and stable majority. Karnataka Governor Govind Narain said.

This is the first time that a government not belonging to Congress has taken office in Karnataka. Film actor N.T. Rama Rao, heading a regional party, was sworn in as chief minister of the neighboring state of Andhra Pradesh Sunday.

Mrs. Gandhi's defeat in Karnataka was even more of a surprise than her trouncing in neighboring Andhra where Rama Rao's Telugu Desam (land of the Telugus) Party had been expected to win due to its appeal to regional sentiments.

The man sworn in at the head of the Karnataka government Monday is Ramakrishna Hegde, a former Congress Party leader in the state.

Mrs. Gandhi, preparing to rally supporters for more regional elections next month, had some encouraging news from the northern state of Punjab, where there is a strong movement for regional autonomy.

The leader of a Sikh protest movement in Punjab, Harchand Singh Longowal, said his party had accepted an invitation by the Central Government to resume talks.

U.S. makes fresh proposal Agenda rift stalls pullout talks anew

KHALDE, Jan. 10 (AP) — The United States, Israel and Lebanon failed to agree Monday on a negotiating agenda for the withdrawal of foreign armies from Lebanon despite early reports of an imminent breakthrough.

A statement read to reporters after the fifth round of talks by American, Israeli and Lebanese negotiators at this suburban neighborhood south of Beirut said, however, a new compromise proposed by the United States would be submitted to the governments of Israel and Lebanon to break the stalemate.

The statement, read by American spokesman John Reid and Israeli spokesman Avi Piznar in English said the American proposals that were made at the previous session of talks in the Israeli northern border town of Kiryat Shmona last Thursday were rejected.

"The proposals which were presented in our meeting at Kiryat Shmona were not accepted. New proposals on an agreed agenda were submitted today and will be presented to the governments of Israel and Lebanon, and the next meeting will be held at Kiryat Shmona next Thursday," the statement said.

It did not say which side rejected the previous American proposals to break the deadlock over the issue of normalization of relations, which Israel had been demanding as a precondition for a withdrawal of foreign armies from Lebanon.

But Israeli spokesmen earlier said the

Lebanese delegation turned down the previous American proposals prompting the American delegation to put forth the new proposals.

Both the old and the new American proposals were not officially spelled out.

Lebanon's state and privately owned radios reported after the fifth session got under way that the three sides were close to a breakthrough. But Israeli officials disputed the Lebanese claim.

Lebanese spokesman Albert Hajj issued a statement Monday morning saying the delegations were discussing new American proposals made right after Thursday's session in Kiryat Shmona, when the Lebanese side rejected previous American proposals on the normalization of relations dispute.

"All the proposals discussed today were submitted by the American side following last Thursday's session in Kiryat Shmona. The American delegation put forward new proposals which are now under discussion among the three delegations," Hajj added.

"We hope everything will be okay," Lebanese chief negotiator Antoine Fattal said before Thursday's session got underway at the heavily guarded beachside hotel.

America's chief negotiator Morris Draper and Israel's top delegate David Kimche made no statements to reporters as their separate motorcades arrived at the hotel after passing Lebanese and Israeli security checkpoints.

Beware of Russia--U.K.

LONDON, Jan. 10 (AP) — New Defense Secretary Michael Heseltine has expressed support for a full discussion on nuclear disarmament but said Britain realizes "the enormous threat that the Russian menace is to the free world."

In his first comments Sunday, since Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher appointed him to the top defense post on Thursday, Heseltine said: "The prospects of any sort of conflagration involving nuclear weapons is a horrendous one."

"But equally, the peace of the world is something of dramatic proportions, and any government involved in the security of its own people — after all that is the first political priority — has to take the loneliest and most difficult of decisions," he said.

Heseltine, 49, a noted orator and former environment secretary, was asked to comment on reports that he would lead the government's campaign against growing public sympathy for the opposition Labor Party's pledge to scrap Britain's nuclear weapons unilaterally. "It is very right that we should have a full and proper discussion about these things," he said.

"I think it was (Soviet leader Yuri)

Andropov who said very soon after he took on the top job in Russia, 'we are not a naive people.' I think he really put the cards on the table there," Heseltine said.

"We realize the enormous threat that the Russian menace is to the free world as we understand it. And nobody must be naive about the nature of power politics in which we are involved," he said. Heseltine, who returned from a bird-watching vacation in Trinidad and Tobago, said he planned to do "a great deal of talking and thinking and reading" about his new job.

Britain told the Soviet Union that including British nuclear forces in a Euro-missile count was "totally unacceptable," a reliable source said here.

The source said British ambassador in Moscow Iain Sutherland said this to Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko.

Soviet Communist Party Chairman Yuri Andropov last month proposed reducing the Soviet medium-range nuclear force stationed in Europe to match the total number of French and British missiles.

The British ambassador called Andropov's proposals a "small step in the right direction" if they meant the Soviet Union was prepared in principle to reduce the number of its SS-20 missiles aimed at Europe, the source said.

But Sutherland said including Britain's independent nuclear force in the NATO count was "totally unacceptable."

With regard to the peace proposals put forth last week by the Warsaw Pact, Sutherland said they warranted "careful examination."

But he added that the British government did not believe a future non-aggression treaty between the North Atlantic Treaty Organization and the Eastern bloc alliance could substitute for "concrete progress" in arms control.

Meanwhile Tass said Monday British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's visit to the Falkland Islands provided "fresh testimony" that Britain intends to make the archipelago a major military base.

Renewing his criticism of the administration Monday, Bratkovski said the imposition of martial law, which was suspended Dec. 30, had deepened the division between the people and the Communist leaders. The operation had been effective from the point of view of the military and police, but politically had been regressive.

Attempts to overcome the economic crisis were running up against the fact that the people had no faith in the authorities and "no faith in money," he said there was no sense of partnership and no incentive to work.

Vogel sees arms accord at Geneva

BONN, Jan. 10 (R) — West German opposition leader Hans-Jochen Vogel has said he believes the United States is prepared to compromise at its Geneva talks with the Soviet Union on reducing medium-range nuclear missiles in Europe.

Vogel, who met President Reagan last weekend, said on television that he thought the American position was "not fixed and firmly laid down once and for all until the end of 1983."

The United States has been criticized in West Germany for not responding positively to offers on missile cuts by new Soviet leader Yuri Andropov.

The United States has so far stuck to the so-called "zero-option" under which NATO would refrain from deploying 572 U.S. Cruise and Pershing missiles in Western Europe from the end of this year if the Soviet Union withdraws all its medium-range missiles targeted on Western Europe.

Public opinion polls show most West Germans believe neither the United States nor the Soviet Union is negotiating seriously at the Geneva talks on medium-range weapons.

Vogel, the Social Democratic (SPD) candidate for chancellor in West Germany's March 6 elections, leaves for Moscow later Monday for three days of talks with Soviet leaders. Opponents have accused him of trying to exploit the missile issue for electoral purposes and of moving away from a commitment by former SPD Chancellor Helmut Schmidt to deploy the new U.S. missiles in West Germany unless progress is made in Geneva.

Vogel said he did not exclude the possibility that the West would deploy the weapons if the Soviet Union would not budge and "no result is achieved despite the great effort of

our American friends."

Disarmament is emerging as one of the main issues in the March elections. Vogel's talks in Washington and Moscow are bound to score him some election points but at the same time he is obviously anxious to deflect conservative jabs that he is undermining the position of the United States, West Germany's most important ally.

Reuter reported from Moscow Vogel was likely to hear appeals for support for new Soviet arms control initiatives.

Vogel will meet Andropov Tuesday. He will also confer with Prime Minister Nikolai Tikhonov and Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko, West German diplomats said.

Poland in a mess, newsman says

PODKOWA LESNA, Poland, Jan. 10 (R) — The Chairman of the banned Solidarity Journalists Association, Stefan Bratkovski, condemned the authorities and dismissed government planners as incompetent in an unusual open challenge to the administration.

Addressing a meeting here 10 days after the authorities suspended martial law, Bratkovski criticized the whole government approach to the economic and social crisis. "This is not a state, rather it is a mess," Bratkovski, an economist and former Communist Party member, said. "Nobody is doing what he is supposed to be doing."

His speech was applauded by hundreds of people in a village which has become known as a forum for tough anti-Communist speeches.

Bratkovski, 48, was expelled from the Communist Party in 1981 for his liberal leanings and has long been a critic of Communist

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Khomeini aide quits

LONDON, Jan. 10 (R) — Iran's Prosecutor General Ayatollah Rabbani Amlashi, a senior cleric and a close aide of Ayatollah Khomeini, has resigned his post, the national news agency IRNA reported.

IRNA said Sunday Ayatollah Yousef Sanaie was appointed new prosecutor general and a new member of the Supreme Judicial Council.

Ayatollah Amlashi, who had held his post since June 1981, cited fatigue for his resignation. IRNA said.

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Canadian mission's goal 'tightening cordial links'

By K.S. Ramkumar
Arab News Staff

JEDDAH, Jan. 10 — Canada's Minister of State for International Trade Gerald Regan said on his arrival here for a four-day visit that he will discuss with the Kingdom's leaders and businessmen ways to develop bilateral cooperation and review projects carried out by Canadian companies in engineering, building, construction, transport and civil aviation.

Regan said that his talks here will also cover the prospects of the Kingdom's investments in Canada. This statement was in the context of expressed interest by some Gulf officials in the possibility of directing part of their petrodollar investments, traditionally concentrated in the United States and Europe, to Canada.

Asked whether Canada has any plan to reduce the large trade imbalance it has with the Kingdom, Regan told *Arab News*: "We are not concerned about the imbalance, however large it may be. Canada believes in multilateral trade under the General Agreement on Trade and Tariffs (GATT)."

"I have not come with any concrete proposals but a number of projects are under discussion," Regan said.

Canada's imports of hydrocarbon products and crude oil from the Kingdom in 1982 were of the order of \$2 billion, while its exports to the Kingdom were valued at \$455 million, he said.

The minister said his talks will provide a chance for "tightening the cordial links" between the two countries.

Canada's exports to the Kingdom are widely diversified and they include products like cars, trucks, machinery, telephone equipment and lumber. One export item on which Canada would like to concentrate is high technology "in which Canada is world leader," he added.

Regan said this is his first official trade mission abroad after he assumed charge of the present ministry four months ago. The fact that "I am leading the first trade mission to the Kingdom is a reflection of the importance the Canadian government attaches to trade with the Kingdom."

Regan described his visit here as a sign of the "warm and cordial relations between Canada and the Kingdom" and praised the "wise and prudent leadership of the Kingdom which has achieved magnificent development in a way consistent with Islamic principles."

The Minister said his country fully supported the Kingdom's efforts aimed at bringing about a just and lasting solution to the Middle East question.

Canada laid the foundation stone a few months ago for a \$25 million embassy complex in Riyadh. Some 200 Canadian companies are involved in activities in the Arab countries of the area.



Gerald Regan

High Saudi output discussed at foreign labor conference

By Javid Hassan
Riyadh Bureau

RIYADH, Jan. 10 — Participants in the seminar on foreign labor in government, organized by the Institute of Public Administration (IPA) sought to pin down the issues concerning the import of foreign labor on the second day of the three-day session. They also discussed ways of motivating Saudi Arabians to achieve a higher level of productivity so that expatriate labor in the government departments could be curbed, if not dispensed with.

In their thesis on the motivational factors

of the expatriate labor, Yousef-el-Yousef, IPA director of planning and Muhammad al-Tayyib Hussain, a member of the IPA staff, felt that the influx of foreign labor is an offshoot of the government's plan to invest its oil wealth in the productive sectors of the economy. This has led to a spate of new ventures requiring the import of sophisticated technology. The Kingdom, hamstrung by the lack of trained Saudi Arabian manpower, has, therefore, been obliged to induct foreign labor at the operational level.

The problem, they said, was compounded by the attitude of Saudi Arabians, who generally shun low maintenance jobs or what they consider menial occupations. Another factor, was job dissatisfaction among the Saudi Arabians which told upon their efficiency. The paper underlines the need for motivating them suitably so that productivity does not suffer. "Such motivation," the paper points out, "could be either materialistic or moralistic."

Equally important, the thesis affirmed, was the need to involve Saudi Arabian manpower in the decision-making process "which at present is low."

CLARIFICATION: A spokesman for the Riyadh House Establishment reported that the seminar on the autoline system, being hosted by RHE at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Jeddah on Jan. 17, is in collaboration with the Sigma-Kerridge Computer Resources Division of the Saudi Investment Group & Marketing Company.

U.S. world affairs team on 5-day visit

By Suresh Shah
Arab News Staff

JEDDAH, Jan. 10 — A delegation of World Affairs Council, headed by Marilyn Jacobsen, executive director of the council in Southern California, arrived here Monday on a five-day visit of the Kingdom.

The 14-member team will meet members of the Jeddah Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday in addition to hold discussions with officials in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Tuesday evening they will leave for Riyadh to meet businessmen and government officials.

The delegation arrived from Cairo and will leave for Jordan on Friday. It is visiting various countries to acquaint itself with features of modern developments in these countries and contact officials at various levels.

Arab League committee reviews aid distribution

RIYADH, Jan. 10 (SPA) — Members of an Arab League permanent technical committee resumed its session here Monday and discussed aid given to North and South Yemen, Mauritania, Somalia, Sudan and Palestine in 1982. Saudi Arabian delegate Ali Rasheed, chairman of the current session, said that the committee also reviewed the positive and negative aspects of the aid distribution system and considered ways to correct any shortfalls.

BRIEFS

Nazer visiting U.S.
RIYADH, (SPA) — Planning minister Hisham Nazer left here Monday on his way to the United States on a visit of several days. The minister will deliver speech on the changes in the international economic scene and its impact on Saudi-American relations. The speech has been requested by the External Trade Council in New York.

Jumblat arrives
RIYADH, (SPA) — Lebanese leader Walid Jumblat has arrived here in a brief visit to the Kingdom; he was received at the airport by a member of the principal at the foreign ministry.

Minister departs
RIYADH, (SPA) — Tunisian Foreign Minister Bedji Caid Essebsi left here Mon-

day on his way to Muscat. The minister arrived to the Kingdom few days ago and met King Fahd, a number of government officials and secretary-general of the Organization of the Islamic Conference Habib Chatti.

Palestinian anniversary
AHSA, (SPA) — The bureau of the Popular Committee for Helping the Palestinian Mujahideen and their Families will gather here, next Wednesday for the 18th anniversary of the start of the Palestinian Revolution, known as Fateh, under the patronage of Ahsa Governor Prince Muhammad bin Fahd bin Jiluwi. The ceremony will be attended by Fateh representative to Saudi Arabia Rafiq Natsha.



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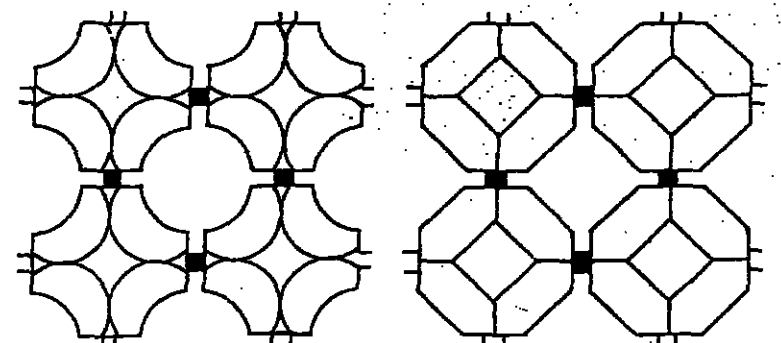
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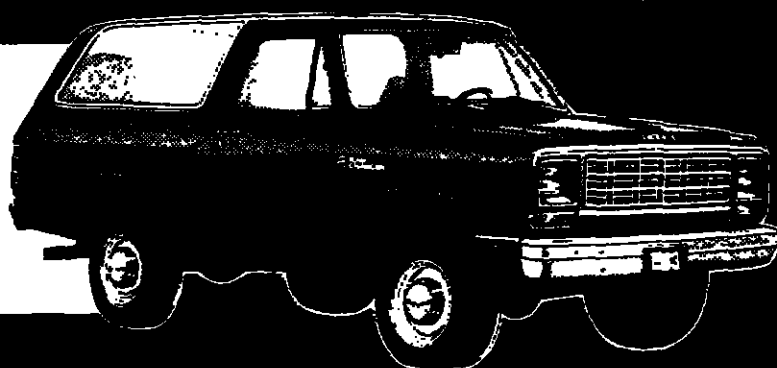
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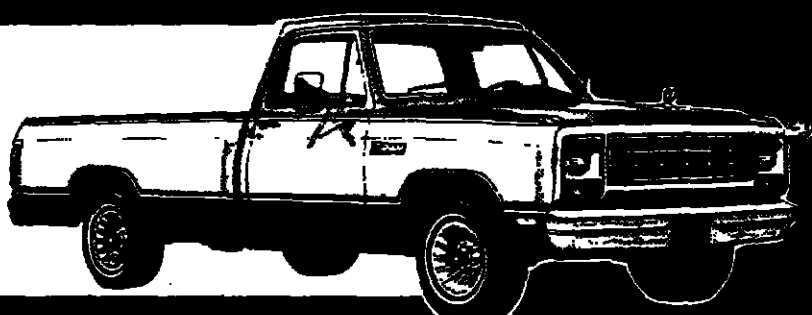
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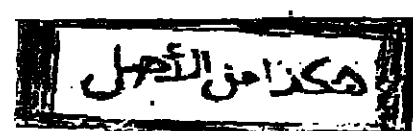


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Kenya delegation visits

Job opportunity viewed; Saudi solidarity lauded

By Omar Benadid
Riyadh Bureau

RIYADH, Jan. 10 — A delegation from Kenya, comprising an assistant minister, a parliamentary leader and a mayor, visited the Kingdom last week on a goodwill mission and for the performance of the lesser pilgrimage — umrah.

The trio, which visited Riyadh and then Jeddah, consisted of Kenyan Assistant Minister for Labor Sheriff Nassir, chief whip, Said Hemed; and Mayor of Mombasa Rajab Sumba.

The leader of the delegation, Sheriff Nassir, told *Arab News* he was "pleased and gratified" to see so many nationalities working in the Kingdom. He felt that as far as Kenya is concerned, although there are quite a few Kenyans working here, more Kenyans would welcome the opportunity of coming.

Nassir said as chairman of Kenya's Labor Training Centers, he knew there are hundreds of Kenyans who, every year, come out of the centers after having qualified and would be only too glad to come and work here.

"The unemployment problem has not spared Kenya, and the situation is not getting any better in view of the worldwide recession," Nassir said.

Nassir said trainees at these centers go through very tough tests and examinations before they are awarded certificates in their respective callings.

"They produce some of the finest carpenters, welders, and other skilled workers and our government does everything possible to ensure that they are gainfully employed," he said.

If and when a Kenya is going to be employed in a foreign country, the prospective employer has only to sign the Ministry of Labor's "Foreign Contract" form. One of the stipulations of that contract is that one third of the employee's salary should reach his family back home.

"That does not necessarily mean that the

payment has to be made directly to his family or dependents in Kenya," Nassir said. "It could be deducted from his monthly salary set aside, and handed back to him when he goes on leave or at the expiration of his contract."

The Kenyan official, who is also chairman of the ruling party's (Kenya African National Union) Mombasa District Branch, said he was greatly impressed to see that Saudi Arabia is very much concerned and shows solidarity with other Arab, Islamic and even non-Islamic countries, particularly when those countries are facing difficulties of one sort or another.

"Off hand, I can only mention the Kingdom's stance and positive solidarity with the people of Lebanon, the people of the African Sahel and, more recently, the people of Yemen who suffered an earthquake calamity only recently," he said.

Nassir said when he first visited the Kingdom with Kenya's President Daniel Arap Moi in 1980, attempts were made to convince Saudi Arabian businessmen to invest in that African country. He said there is tremendous scope for private investment in the agricultural, industrial and tourism sectors of the economy. "What's more, the repatriation of the investment and the profits accruing therefrom is guaranteed by law in our country," he added.

Hemed, a member of the Kenya National Assembly and the government's chief whip, said he is personally grateful to the Kingdom for donating "so very generously" to the Islamic Center in his constituency.

"The center," Hemed said, "is playing a very important role in the spreading of the word of Islam, and it has gone a long way in helping some of the unfortunate Muslim students by giving them a chance to get some vocational training in such fields as book-keeping, typewriting and other commercial subjects, after they had failed to gain entry into the much-sought-after grammar schools."

Hemed declared that the Kingdom was also doing a lot in other parts of Kenya as well.



GOODWILL MISSION: A delegation from Kenya visited Riyadh and Jeddah recently on a fact-finding mission. Left to right, Mombasa Mayor Rajab Sumba; Assistant Labor Minister Sheriff Nassir; and M.P. and chief whip Said Hemed.

Commerce Ministry decree simplifies bond, check collection procedures

RIYADH, Jan. 10 — Commerce Minister Dr. Soliman A. Solaiman has issued a decree to cut-down the procedures in cases relating to commercial bonds and checks so that such issues may be settled as quickly as possible. *Al-Riyadh* reported. More than one official at the ministry has been mobilized to receive complaints in connection with checks and other financial papers, conduct an enquiry and issue a ruling.

The decision of the official concerned will have to be implemented immediately. The party found guilty must pay the debts as soon as the judgment is pronounced and cannot halt the implementation of the decision, except if a large bail is paid pending consideration of an appeal.

Commerce Undersecretary Dr. Abdul

Rahman Al-Zamil said that owners of firms should become vigilant and careful when selecting and supervising representatives who can sign checks on their behalf. The owners of such firms, he said, will be liable to imprisonment and fines in case they are found responsible for bouncing checks signed by their employees.

Zamil said such firms will be bound to pay the debt owed to the party that wins the case. During the trial, the creditor may ask that the assets of the debtor be provisionally sequestered even if they are in the custody of somebody else. A sentence will be pronounced in the absence of the debtor from the court if already notified directly or indirectly and even if he attended only part of the proceedings.

Kingdom's rush to help Yemeni victims praised

JEDDAH, Jan. 10 (SPA) — Ali Lutf Al-Thor, North Yemen's Foreign Minister lauded the quick help extended by the Kingdom to his country from the start of breaking the news of the earthquake that hit the Dhamar region in Yemen last month. The minister, talking to *Al-Bilad* Monday said that the action taken by Crown Prince Abdullah and Defense Minister Prince Sultan was met with gratitude from the Yemeni people, who appreciated this humanitarian stand.

The minister emphasized the need for the continuation of help from sister Arab and

Islamic countries to help rebuild the places affected by the earthquake and compensate those who suffered from the disaster.

The minister then moved to the subject of the seven-man committee of the Arab League which has conducted visits to members of the United Nation's Security Council, and described the committee's trips to Washington, Paris, Moscow and Peking as a successful venture helped in explaining the Arab cause along the way laid down by the Fez summit and that results of these trips will emerge in the near future.

Cooperation between Kingdom, Bahrain sets 'a good example'

MANAMA, Jan. 10 (SPA) — Hamad ibn Issa Al-Khalifa, the crown prince of Bahrain has lauded the cooperation between the Kingdom and his country, which he described as a good example to be followed and is based on mutual trust and coordination.

Khalifa who spoke here *Akhbar Al-Khaleej* newspaper Monday added that the Kingdom, due to this cooperation, has initiated the causeway linking the two countries.

Korean attache Shin leaves for new Seoul job

By Suresh Shah
Arab News Staff

JEDDAH, Jan. 10 — Korean Embassy Cultural and Information Attache Hyon-Ung Shin left the Kingdom Monday to take up his new assignment as Regional Affairs Director in the Ministry of Culture and Information in Seoul.

Shin worked for two-and-a-half years in Saudi Arabia and concentrated his efforts on the promotion of culture, sports and youth exchanges between the two countries. Before coming here he worked in the same capacity for three years in the United Kingdom.

His wife Yung-Ja Han Shin was honorary lecturer at the King Abdul Aziz University and teaching girl students at the Medical College.

Saudi Telephone safety seminars

JEDDAH, Jan. 10 — Saudi Telephone launched the second phase of its safety and first aid program Sunday with the official opening of the four day Western Region Safety Seminar which is being held in the Jeddah Training Center.

Safety co-ordinators from Saudi Telephone's West District have been invited to participate in this seminar in order to gain insights and guidance necessary for the development of localized safety at Saudi Telephone, at the initial seminar held in Riyadh has been expanded placing more emphasis on the fire prevention program.

Other areas that will be covered in depth during the four days include: accident prevention, office environment and vehicle inspection, defensive driving and first aid training. These programs will serve as the basic framework for the safety co-ordinators when they develop their localized programs.

participated in the aluminium project, the petrochemical plant and a lot of other projects which are the outcome of this mutual cooperation. Such projects, he said, are not only for the sake of the Gulf people, but are intended for all Arabs.

Concerning the unified economic treaty, Khalifa said that the agreement has been finalized and that the Gulf Investment Corporation is the beginning of this joint ventures which will lead to the joint Gulf market and the integrated and strategic programs intended for raising the standard of the Gulf people.

He said that popular support for the Gulf coordination could be attained after the establishment of consultative councils in all Gulf countries.

On the proposed security agreement, Khalifa said that his country has already expressed its support for it though security cooperation between the Gulf states exceeds any agreement.

Jubail housing contract awarded

RIYADH, Jan. 10 — The \$93 million contract for engineering, procurement and construction of a housing complex in Jubail, was signed on Dec. 28, 1982, between the Korea-based Hanshin Construction Company Ltd., and the Royal Commission for Jubail and Yanbu.

The contract is composed of two packages — 285 dwellings of villas and apartments, including road hauling, mass filling, infrastructure and landscaping.

This is considered to be the first case in which two packages have been awarded to one contractor at one time.

Hanshin is executing part of the Jeddah-Riyadh-Dammam Expressway and has done \$315 million worth public housing projects at Site 2, Al-Kharj road and is on the verge of completing a sports club in Al-Kharj.

Algosaibi approves SR4m medical center

DAMMAM, Jan. 10 (SPA) — An international medical research center has won an SR4.42 million contract to build a center for treatment and diagnosis of diarrheal diseases in the Kingdom's Eastern Region.

The contract was signed here by acting Health Minister Dr. Ghazi Algosaibi and a representative of the International Research Center for Diarrheal Diseases in Bangladesh.

The region's director-general for health services Dr. Abdul Rahman Al-Sualem said the contract also included the training of Saudi doctors and medical staff.

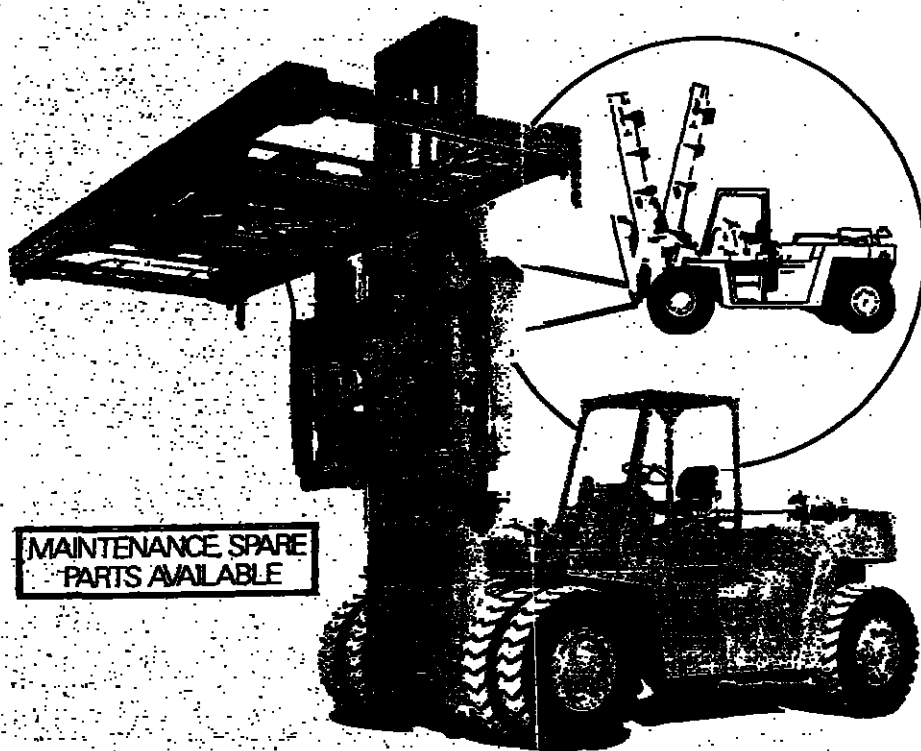
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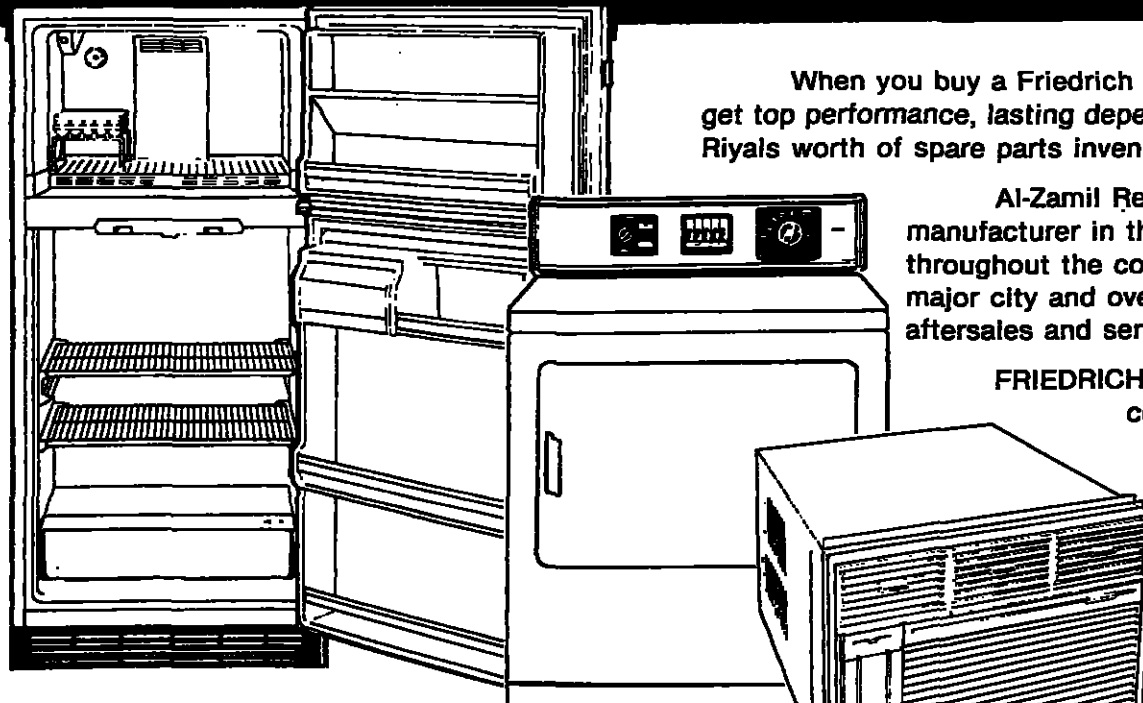
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Gemayel embarks on rebuilding the army

BEIRUT, Jan. 10 (AP) — Lebanese President Amin Gemayel has launched a crash program to rebuild and enlarge the 21,600-man Lebanese Army so it can restore order in his bitterly divided country.

Years of neglect and the division of the country into Christian and Muslim enclaves ruled by private militias have left the army demoralized and unable to extend state authority beyond the edges of the capital.

But Lebanese officials and foreign diplomats say the restructuring may take years as the army remains militarily weak and politically suspect. "You cannot expect the operation to modernize and rebuild the army to be completed in a day, a month or year," Defense Minister Issam Khoury said in an interview.

Khoury said the 4,000-man multinational peacekeeping force that includes French, Italian and U.S. Marines should be expanded and must stay in Lebanon "at least a year" to support the army's deployment elsewhere in the country.

Using emergency powers, Gemayel has decreed a law of national conscription to enlarge the army to 60,000 men. Khoury said \$1 billion in arms and training is needed to strengthen the armed forces.

The 40-year-old Christian president has also sought to remove deadwood in the army's upper ranks, enticing generals and colonels into early retirement and sharply reducing the number of chauffeurs, cooks and cleaners for the senior staff.

Egypt set to diversify arms buying

CAIRO, Jan. 10 (R) — Egyptian Defense Minister Abdul-Halim Abu Ghazala said Egypt was going ahead with plans to diversify its sources of arms supplies.

The minister was addressing a joint news conference with Dutch Defense Minister Jaap de Ruiter, who is in Egypt for talks on military cooperation between the two countries.

"Holland is a friendly country, it possesses modern technology and can help us a lot in our policy of purchasing arms from various markets," he said.

Asked whether reports of a recent order of

Israeli POWs said to be well-treated

KUWAIT, Jan. 10 (AP) — The Kuwaiti daily *Al-Watan* reported Monday that it had interviewed six Israeli prisoners held by the PLO in Damascus and quoted them as saying they were in good condition and receiving "excellent treatment."

The paper at the same time quoted authoritative Palestinian sources as saying that in the present negotiations in Vienna, sponsored by Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky, the PLO was demanding the release of 6,000 Palestinian prisoners, 1,000 from Israeli jails and 5,000 from the prison of Al-Ansar in southern Lebanon.

Al-Watan's correspondent Nawal Halph, who interviewed the Israeli captives, said they are aged between 18 and 21 years and that all of them, except the group's leader



President Gemayel

"There is a class system in the military here," said one Western European analyst. "Enlisted men are treated badly, while officers tend to be wealthy and have privileges such as beach clubs and cars."

The problem is compounded by the fact that the 2,200 army officers are mostly Christians and the soldiers are Shiite Muslims, analysts say.

The delicate sectarian balance fell apart

80 American F-16 aircraft were connected with recent Middle East tension. Abu Ghazala said Egypt plans to modernize its military arsenal were aimed at replacing old Soviet-made planes. The Dutch minister arrived in Cairo Sunday and inspected a 120-man Dutch contingent in the Multi-national Force and Observers (MFO) in the Sinai.

Abu Ghazala also said that Egypt and the United States would now hold their joint military exercises in August — to give the forces experience in desert warfare in summer.

Serg. Robin Moshe Cohen, 21, were high school students. They were summoned for compulsory military service three months before they were captured on Sept. 4 by a group of four Palestinian commandos in Lebanon's Bekaa Valley, the report said.

"We were obliged to take part in this war because we are draftees and have to obey orders," Serg. Cohen was quoted as saying on behalf of the group.

"We support the occupation of some areas for a limited time. But we were forced to continue fighting beyond the 45 kilometers originally specified for the operation."

The reference was to Israel's initial announcements when it invaded Lebanon last June.

announced Sunday it is raising the maximum punishment from five years to life imprisonment for people convicted of dealing in hard drugs. The tough new measure is aimed at curbing production and smuggling of heroin and other narcotics, a government spokesman said.

TEL AVIV (R) — Israeli authorities in the occupied West Bank Monday closed a high school in Nablus for one month after Palestinian Arab youths threw rocks at Israeli vehicles there, security sources said.

ISLAMABAD (AP) — The government

during the 1975-76 civil war and continues to be an obstacle to strengthening the armed forces.

"Christian officers are often reluctant to give orders to Muslim troops for fear they won't be carried out and as a result nothing is done and there is hardly any training," one NATO country military man with long experience in Lebanon said. "It is not a matter of equipment but command structure," he added.

The Gemayel government's use of the army has also been controversial politically, especially after more than 2,000 persons were arrested when the army swept through the Palestinian refugee camps and the Muslim sector of Beirut last year.

Muslim politicians, including Prime Minister Shafiq Wazzan, protested that the army was not using the same vigor to Christian East Beirut of militiamen belonging to Gemayel's Phalangist Party. A leader of the Palestinian Liberation Organization, who declined to be identified for fear of reprisals, accused the government of using the army as a tool to force Palestinian civilians to flee the country.

Khoury said: "The army will have to be an army and we don't seek to win the approval or gratitude of anybody or those who harmed the nation." He said the army was holding fewer than 1,000 prisoners at the end of 1982.

Militarily, Lebanon is counting heavily on the United States to help re-equip and train the fledgling army. The U.S. government is currently in the process of delivering \$85 million worth of hardware, including tanks, 130 M-113 armored personnel carriers, trucks, jeeps and communications equipment. A number of Lebanese officers were trained last year in the U.S. and another batch is expected to go for training this year.

Calm returns to Tripoli city

BEIRUT, Jan. 10 (Agencies) — The northern Lebanese city of Tripoli was quiet for the second straight day after six weeks of fighting between pro- and anti-Syrian elements that left hundreds dead, sources here reported.

Lebanese Internal Security Forces patrolled the Kubbah district and other areas where hostile activity has concentrated.

Beirut radio reported Lebanese police began a cautious deployment in Tripoli as factional fighting appeared to have died down.

Patrols of the Internal Security Forces (ISF), a paramilitary police unit, took up positions in several districts skirting the main trouble spots.

There was no immediate word of their moving into the crisis areas of Baal Mohsen and Bab Al-Tabbaneh, where pro-Syrian and anti-Syrian militias respectively are entrenched.

But Lebanese television reported Sunday night that they would deploy in the "areas of tension" within the next 24 hours after gunmen had handed over their positions to civilian leaders of their various parties.

Former Prime Minister Rashid Karame, a native of Tripoli who has been at the center of mediation efforts, predicted that schools and main roads would reopen Monday.

The security plan went into operation following talks on Damascus Sunday between Lebanese Prime Minister Shafiq Wazzan and Syrian President Hafez Assad, who agreed that the ISF should take over in the city.

Aziz invites Rajavi to Iraq

AOVERS-SUR-OISE, France, Jan. 10 (AP) — Iraqi Vice Premier Tareq Aziz met with Iranian commando leader Massoud Rajavi and invited him to visit Iraq, according to a communique released Sunday after the meeting.

Rajavi is the exiled leader of the Mujahideen Khalq, a commando group trying to overthrow the regime of Iranian leader Ayatollah Khomeini. The communique said Rajavi would study Aziz's invitation.

It said the meeting, held at Rajavi's closely guarded compound in this town north of Paris, lasted four hours and that the two exchanged views on the war between Iran and Iraq.

Aziz has been in France since Tuesday, mainly to negotiate an agreement for increased French purchases of Iraqi oil and for financial assistance on outstanding

French credits for military and civilian purchases from France last year.

While in Paris, he also met with Egyptian minister of state for Foreign Affairs Boutros Ghali to discuss the possible readmission of Egypt to the Arab League, from which it was expelled in 1979 after the signing of the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty. Aziz told the Paris newspaper *Le Monde* that Iraq was committed to the "total reintegration" of Egypt into the league.

French officials have said they are ready to increase their purchases of Iraqi oil and indicated they were willing to work out a new repayment schedule for money owed by Iraq.

Rajavi and former Iranian President Abolhassan Bani-Sadr fled to France in July 1981 and formed an official alliance dedicated to the overthrow of the Khomeini government.

PLO chief inspects units in Jordan

AMMAN, Jan. 10 (R) — Palestine Liberation Organization chief Yasser Arafat Monday inspected units of the Palestine Liberation Army (PLA) stationed in Jordan, prior to his second round of talks with King Hussein.

Arafat, who has been on the move almost constantly since his evacuation from Beirut last August with thousands of his commandos, arrived in Amman from Damascus Saturday and is expected to fly to Moscow Tuesday.

Palestinian officials described his talks with King Hussein as important as they followed King Hussein's discussions with President Reagan in Washington last month and preceded Arafat's visit to the Soviet Union.

Meanwhile a top Palestinian leader was quoted in Kuwait Monday as revealing that the central committee of Fatah, Arafat's own commando group, has rejected the U.S. Middle East peace plan.

The decision was reached by the central

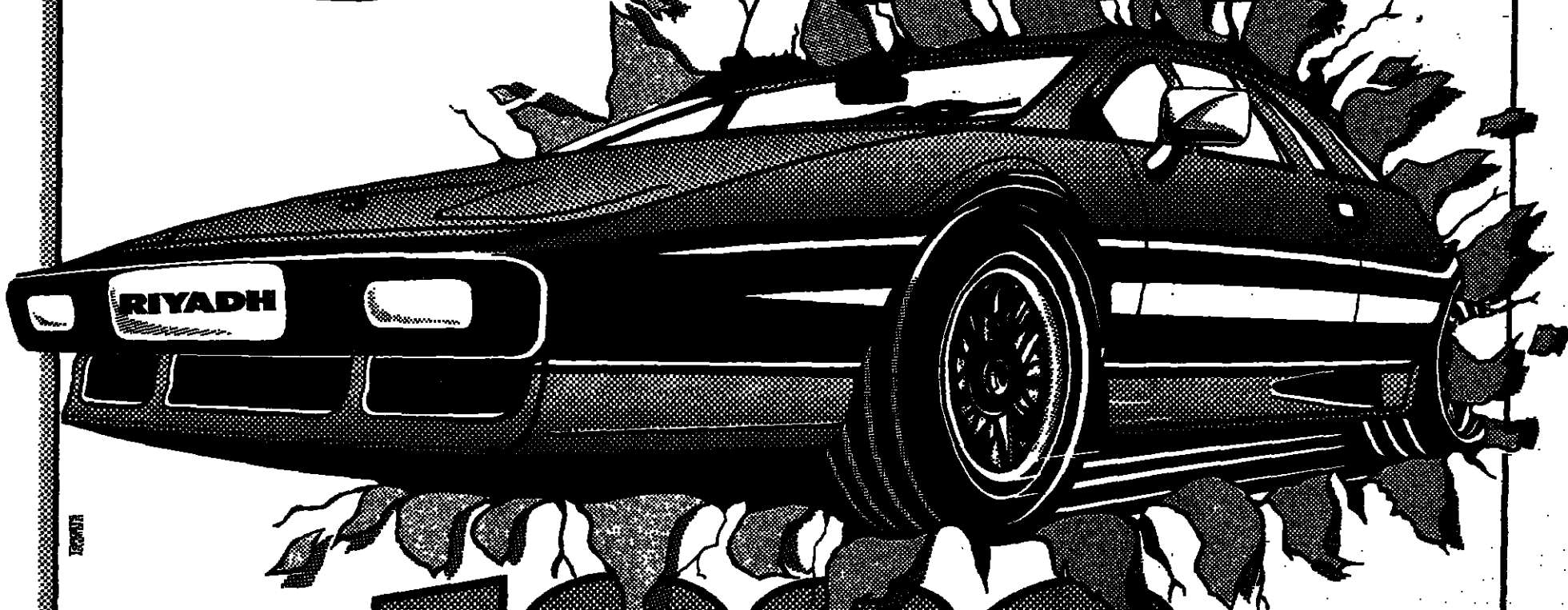
committee of Fatah during its meeting here last week. Salah Khalaf (code-named Abu Iyad), the number two man in Fatah, was quoted as saying in an interview with the newspaper *Al-Rai Al-Am*.

The rejection of the Reagan plan by Fatah, the largest single group of the umbrella Palestine Liberation Organization, changed the previously milder Arafat refusal to either endorse or reject the plan.

In another development two Palestinian commando leaders and a Lebanese Communist chief arrived in the Libyan capital of Tripoli Sunday night and vowed to struggle with Libya against an "imperialist-Zionist onslaught" in the Middle East.

The Libyan news agency Jana named the leaders as George Habash of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP), Nayef Hawatmeh of the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine (DFLP), and George Hawi, secretary-general of the Lebanese Communist Party.

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Of creating unrest

Italian Communists blamed

ROME, Jan. 10 (R) — Italy's Christian Democrats Sunday accused the Communist Party (PCI) of orchestrating a wave of workers' protests Friday as relations between the country's two most powerful political forces plunged to a low ebb.

An editorial in the Christian Democrat newspaper *Il Popolo* said the protests, in which thousands of workers occupied several major railway stations, would not have happened "without the encouragement and endorsement of the Communists." Communist leader Enrico Berlinguer said Sunday night the PCI firmly backed the protests. But he made clear that the party viewed them as spontaneous popular demonstrations provoked by the tax increases and cuts in health and insurance services announced this month by the Christian Democrat-led government.

Italy's big three trade union federations said Saturday they had not organized Friday's protests, but they subsequently called a series of regional strikes next week and a general strike for Jan. 18 to maintain pressure on the government. Union sources said the Communist-led CGIL union favored further public demonstrations but had been outvoted by the Socialist UIL and Catholic CSIL unions.

Sunday's Christian Democrat accusation

Anti-Nazis, Rudel supporters clash

MUNICH, Jan. 10 (R) — Scuffles broke out Sunday between anti-Nazi demonstrators and people rallying at Munich's Loewenbrau Keller to honor Nazi Germany's most highly decorated war pilot who died last month, police said.

Police said they had to remove about 20 young persons who shouted "Nazis out of Munich" through loudspeakers as a crowd of around 1,200 gathered in honor of Hans-Ulrich Rudel, a favorite of Nazi dictator Adolf Hitler.

Rudel who won his reputation as a dive-bomber pilot, especially in anti-tank operations, was a controversial figure after World War II because of his right-wing views and support for extremist parties. The rally was organized by right-wing publisher Gerhard Frey, who attacked the authorities for refusing to allow military ceremonies at Rudel's burial last month.

Ossining prison rebels begin talks

OSSINING, New York, Jan. 10 (AFP) — Inmates holding 15 guards hostage at Ossining Prison, formerly Sing Sing, agreed Sunday night to negotiate directly with authorities.

The prisoners, from the top-security wing and armed with clubs and bats, had seized 16 guards Saturday night but released one earlier Sunday in exchange for medicine. They appeared to be protesting prison conditions and had demanded to talk with journalists. But their request to have newsmen at the negotiations was not granted.

Five inmates were talking with members of an official negotiating team set up three years

Australia cuts immigrant labor

CANBERRA, Jan. 10 (R) — The Australian government announced Sunday that it will cut its 1982-1983 planned intake of 31,000 skilled immigrants by more than 10,000 after union demands for curbs because of rising unemployment.

Immigration Minister John Hodgson said the cut would be achieved by reducing the official list of occupations for which labor was badly needed from 75 to 21 job categories. Union leaders said the previous list, used to evaluate a potential immigrant's job prospects, was seriously at odds with the

Guatemala police recover 10 bodies

GUATEMALA CITY, Jan. 10 (R) — Police found 10 bodies — nine of them buried together — only an hour after the government announced a big fall in Guatemala's murder rate.

Nine of the bodies, badly decomposed, were discovered in an unmarked grave just north of the capital Saturday after local residents complained about circling vultures. The other corpse, dumped on a roadside east of here, was identified as that of 29-year-old Alberto Francisco Ram Rez. His hands and feet had been hacked off and his body was riddled with bullets, police said.

Presidential spokesman Gonzalo Asturias

Blaming slow progress

Five Bolivian ministers resign

LA PAZ, Jan. 10 (AFP) — Five radical members of Bolivia's three-month-old leftist civilian coalition government have resigned, accusing their colleagues in a statement Sunday of going slow on reforms.

Last week, President Hernan Siles Zuazo's majority party, the National Revolutionary Party of the Left (MNR), accused the radicals, who belong to the Movement of the Revolutionary Left (MIR) of trying to win control of the strategically important ministries and of wanting to forge close links with sectors of the armed forces, which have traditionally ruled Bolivia.

The MNR and the MIR, together with the Communist Party, took power last October as the Democratic Popular Unity (UDP) government under Siles, when the armed

forces yielded power to him after refusing to accept his victory in three presidential elections in recent years.

The MIR, which made its charges in a communique Sunday, has accused the MNR Interior Minister Mario Roca Antezana, of trying to block the UDP's reform program and has demanded his resignation. Vice-President Jaime Paz Zamora, of the MIR said the resignations did not mean the MIR was pulling out of either the government or the UDP.

The five resigning ministers were: Ernesto Arancibia Quiroga (finance), Jorge O'Connor Arlach (energy), Jorge Crespo (trade and industry), Horlando Vaca Diez (integration) and Guillermo Sanchez (health).

against the PCI followed a scathing dismissal of Prime Minister Amintore Fanfani's party by Berlinguer Friday night.

"Some Christian Democrats only regard protest by Polish workers as a good thing, while they say things are going badly when Italian workers protest," he said in a speech in the Northern Adriatic coast town of Ravenna. The PCI newspaper *L'Unita* Sunday condemned as completely irresponsible a statement by Christian Democrat leader Ciriaco De Mita in which he said the protests reminded him of the origins of fascism in

1922.

The Christian Democrats, with some 38 percent of the vote at the last elections in 1979, and the Communists, with 31 percent, are easily the two strongest parties in Italy.

General elections are widely expected this summer and political sources said the bitter exchanges and the firm Communist expression of support for popular protest appeared to signal the onset of a new aggressiveness in PCI-Christian Democrat relations in the run-up to a possible poll.

The talks were held behind closed doors in hopes participants would express themselves more freely without reporters present. The event was held for those either in power or in positions to gain power in their nations in the next few years, conference spokesman Doug Wilson said.

British Liberal Party Leader David Steel said he was leaving the island "in a much more optimistic mood than when I arrived because it seemed to me that this particular age group of political leaders — 30 to 50 — have been able to agree in a way in which our seniors have yet to." Steel left for talks in Washington with administration and other officials.

Canadian Minister of Justice Mark MacGuigan said "what I found surprising and encouraging was the degree of agreement among politicians from eight different countries representing the whole political spectrum in their countries with only the extreme right and the extreme left excluded."

"I and the others go home convinced that there are sensible guys working in the same direction."

ago to handle hostage-taking in prisons, a prison spokesman said. It was the first time the special negotiating group had been used. He described the situation inside the prison as stable.

It was not known how many prisoners were participating in the rebellion at this jail some 50 kms north of New York City. But the building they seized control of houses 618 persons.

The released guard was hospitalized briefly with a slight head wound, the spokesman said. He alleged that a few other hostages were roughed up when the prisoners took over their wing of the jail.

recession-hit labor market and allowed thousands of overseas workers to immigrate for jobs that had disappeared or for which unemployed Australians were competing.

Figures released last month showed unemployment stood at 8.6 percent of the workforce. Ministers have said they expect it to rise to about 10 percent early this year. Hodgson did not name the deleted job categories — believed to include skills in the building and metal industries — but said the new schedule had gone to officials interviewing prospective immigrants overseas.

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told reporters earlier Saturday that murders in Guatemala were on the decline because Gen. Rios Montt, who seized power in a bloodless coup last March, was consolidating control over the country. He said there were 276 killings in November and December compared with 1,173 during the same period in 1981.

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Young politicians part as friends

HILTON HEAD ISLAND, South Carolina, Jan. 10 (AP) — Leaders of eight Western nations left this resort island Sunday as friends, or at least better acquainted, with the people that they may one day meet across the summit table as heads of state.

About 35 young Congressmen, members of parliament, and government ministers from the United States, Great Britain, West Germany, Sweden, Spain, Canada, Italy and Japan got to know each other better in three days of roundtable talks on defense, trade, international relations and other issues. The conversations continued over golf, tennis and dinners at Sea Pines Plantation.

The talks were held behind closed doors in hopes participants would express themselves more freely without reporters present. The event was held for those either in power or in positions to gain power in their nations in the next few years, conference spokesman Doug Wilson said.

British Liberal Party Leader David Steel said he was leaving the island "in a much more optimistic mood than when I arrived because it seemed to me that this particular age group of political leaders — 30 to 50 — have been able to agree in a way in which our seniors have yet to." Steel left for talks in Washington with administration and other officials.

Canadian Minister of Justice Mark MacGuigan said "what I found surprising and encouraging was the degree of agreement among politicians from eight different countries representing the whole political spectrum in their countries with only the extreme right and the extreme left excluded."

"I and the others go home convinced that there are sensible guys working in the same direction."

ago to handle hostage-taking in prisons, a prison spokesman said. It was the first time the special negotiating group had been used. He described the situation inside the prison as stable.

It was not known how many prisoners were participating in the rebellion at this jail some 50 kms north of New York City. But the building they seized control of houses 618 persons.

The released guard was hospitalized briefly with a slight head wound, the spokesman said. He alleged that a few other hostages were roughed up when the prisoners took over their wing of the jail.

recession-hit labor market and allowed thousands of overseas workers to immigrate for jobs that had disappeared or for which unemployed Australians were competing.

Figures released last month showed unemployment stood at 8.6 percent of the workforce. Ministers have said they expect it to rise to about 10 percent early this year. Hodgson did not name the deleted job categories — believed to include skills in the building and metal industries — but said the new schedule had gone to officials interviewing prospective immigrants overseas.

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told reporters earlier Saturday that murders in Guatemala were on the decline because Gen. Rios Montt, who seized power in a bloodless coup last March, was consolidating control over the country. He said there were 276 killings in November and December compared with 1,173 during the same period in 1981.

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5 to contest for Senegal's presidency

DAKAR, Jan. 10 (AFP) — Presidential and parliamentary elections in Senegal at the end of next month will be unusually open for Africa, and are seen as a test for Western-style democracy on the continent.

When nominations closed at the weekend, five candidates had emerged to contest the presidency, including incumbent Abdo Diouf. Nine political parties will battle for the National Assembly seats.

The polling, a result of the expansion of the democratic process decided in May 1981, shortly after Diouf succeeded President Leopold Sedar Senghor, is also seen as a test for the new Senegalese electoral code voted by parliament six months ago. The code aims to ensure a smooth electoral campaign and poll, which will be controlled for the first time

Vietnamese attack

Kampuchean base

BANGKOK, Jan. 10 (R) — Vietnamese forces Monday launched a major attack on guerrillas in the west Kampuchean province of Battambang in a bid to recapture a strategic base seized by rebels two weeks ago, a Thai military spokesman said.

He said the Vietnamese troops, backed by artillery and tanks, advanced on a former Vietnamese artillery base at Yang Daeng Kum, about six kms inside Kampuchea. The spokesman said intensified fighting between Vietnamese troops and Kampuchean resistance forces had prompted Thai authorities to make evacuation plans for people in two villages on the Thai side of the border.

Military sources said the Vietnamese unleashed a heavy artillery attack on forces loyal to Premier Son Sann of the anti-Vietnamese Kampuchean coalition government in border areas north of a main highway in Battambang province. The latest battle appeared to be the fiercest since the Son Sann forces stepped up military action by hitting Vietnamese positions late last month.

by the supreme court. However, opposition parties allege that the code has been tailor-made to guarantee a victory for the ruling Socialist Party which has a 89-11 majority in parliament. A ban on coalitions and the optional use of voting booths are among the code's shortcomings, they say.

The opposition has also protested against the time allocated to the various parties on state radio and television during the election campaign: the governing party has got more time and the others have to share what is left. However, the fact that the opposition has access to the state media for the first time is evidence that the Socialists and Diouf want to show their attachment to democracy.

Diouf's re-election is scarcely in doubt, given the political and social climate in Senegal, but he does not want its methods to be disputed. In his New Year's message, he spoke at length on the regularity of the Feb. 27 poll, stressing the measures already taken and the duty of all citizens to respect the freedom to vote. This will be Diouf's first test of public support.

For several months, the opposition parties tried without success to agree on a joint presidential candidate and program. Abdoulaye Wade, leader of the Senegalese Democratic Party (PDS) would have liked to be the only opposition candidate, but although he claims to be "labor" he is a member of the Liberal International.

However, his electoral entry cannot be little more than symbolic, and his age — he is 72 — and serious eye troubles are further handicaps.

The remaining two candidates have even less chance of success. They are Omar Wone, head of the "nationalist" Senegalese People's Party (PPS) and Boubacar Gueye, leader of the Senegalese Republican Movement (VRS).

Against what Diouf called the "dust" of the opposition, the victory of the outgoing president and his party is expected to be

overwhelming. The party, which has ruled since Senegal's independence from France in 1968, is well implanted throughout the country, in the towns as well as in the bush. In the countryside, local party leaders are also often traditional chiefs or government representatives.

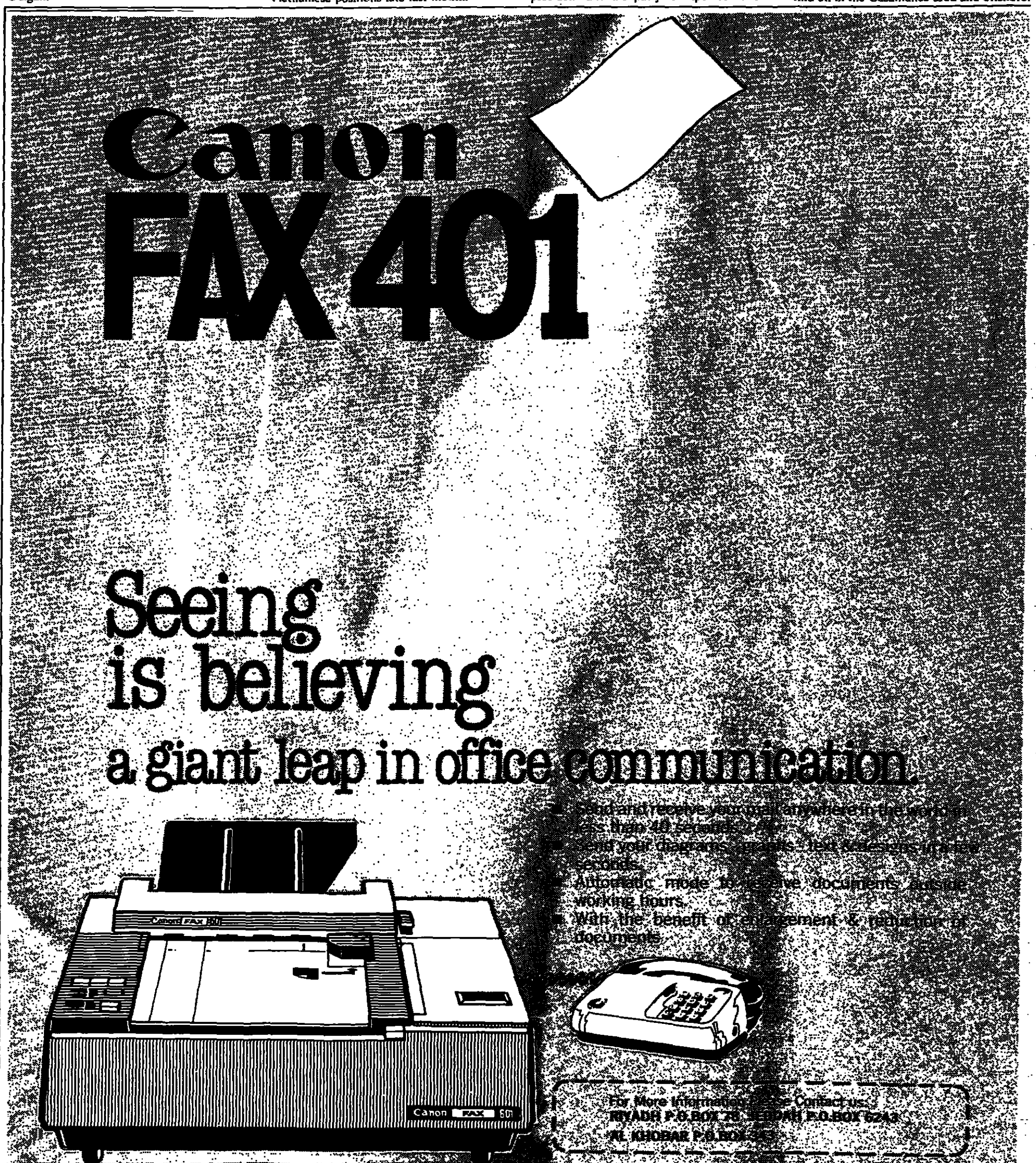
In the two years since he succeeded Senghor — whom he served for 10 years as prime minister — Diouf has succeeded in reinvigorating the party and the administration, which were becoming sidebound after 22 years in power.

To his credit are the liberalization of the democratic process, educational reform, the writing-off of debts built up by farmers in seven years of bad harvests due to drought, and a cautious start on the battle against corruption.

These moves have increased the president's popularity among all sectors of the population. At the end of the year, the country's Muslim leaders voiced their support for him and encouraged the faithful — more than 80 percent of the Senegalese — to vote for him. President Diouf has also had the luck of two years of good harvests, enabling him to proclaim satisfactory results in his efforts to restore the economic and financial situation.

However, there is still much to be done, for Senegal is on the edge of the Sahara and has fewer natural advantages than some of its neighbors. Its possibilities of economic expansion are currently limited to groundnuts and phosphates, commodities very sensitive to world price fluctuations.

The government is trying to develop other sectors, notably tourism and fisheries, while improved water supplies are intended to boost agricultural production and make the country self-sufficient in food. Exploitation of peat and, in the longer term, eastern Senegal's iron ore reserves, could also become major economic trumpcards. They are probably safer bets than current efforts to find oil in the Casamance area and offshore.



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Assistant Professor	5,600	400 (Maximum 5 Years)	9,200	600	single 25,000 married 30,000	
Associate Professor	7,250	450 (Maximum 5 Years)	11,300	600	single 25,000 married 30,000	
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ERITREAN UNITY

For those who want to see the liberation of Eritrea from Ethiopian domination there was a good news yesterday with the announcement that the various Eritrean freedom fighting groups have agreed to unite. The Eritreans have been fighting one of the longest freedom struggles in the world and certainly Africa's longest. But they have often been their own worst enemies due to their bickering and internecine wars.

At one time, they nearly managed to capture the capital of their country, Asmara when again they quarrelled over the booty and gave the Ethiopian army a chance to push them back. They have since been broken into three main groups hostile to each other.

The chance to get closer to Asmara has been missed over the years largely because of the division within their ranks and the large-scale military rearmament program that Ethiopia has undertaken with Soviet assistance. While the Cuban troops took care of the Ogaden front with Somalia, the Ethiopian army concentrated on Eritrea although it has not been able to break the back of the liberation movement despite extraordinary brutality and nearly half a million refugees principally in Sudan. Perhaps with unity restored, the Eritreans will be able to bring greater pressure on Ethiopia and its Soviet friend to talk more sensibly about the future. So far, Ethiopia has rejected any mention of the possibility of independence for the territory which the late Emperor Haile Selassie annexed outright in 1961 despite United Nations resolutions to the contrary although Eritrea had never been part of Ethiopia which used to be called Abyssinia until Haile Selassie had the grandiose notion of becoming an emperor.

Before the regime in Addis Ababa turned Marxist, the Soviet Union used to support the Eritreans to spite the Americans who used to support emperor despite his many wayward acts. When the regime changed, the Soviet Union washed its hands off the Eritreans and called on its Arab friends to do likewise. At least one Arab country has been known to send troops and combat pilots to Asmara to harass the Eritreans. One pilot was captured by the Eritreans during the height of the war.

The unity agreement may just be that — another agreement to be broken — but it is fervently hoped that it will usher a new era in this painful and tragic struggle persuading Ethiopia to call for new and meaningful negotiations.

Saudi Arabian press review

The holding of various meetings of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) in Riyadh this week reflects a new development in strengthening cooperation among member states in the diplomatic, economic, military, social, cultural and educational fields. *Al-Madinah* said Monday.

It said the council has become a strong channel for promoting cooperation among member states. It added that the policy of the GCC both at regional and international levels demonstrated the wisdom and maturity of council leaders.

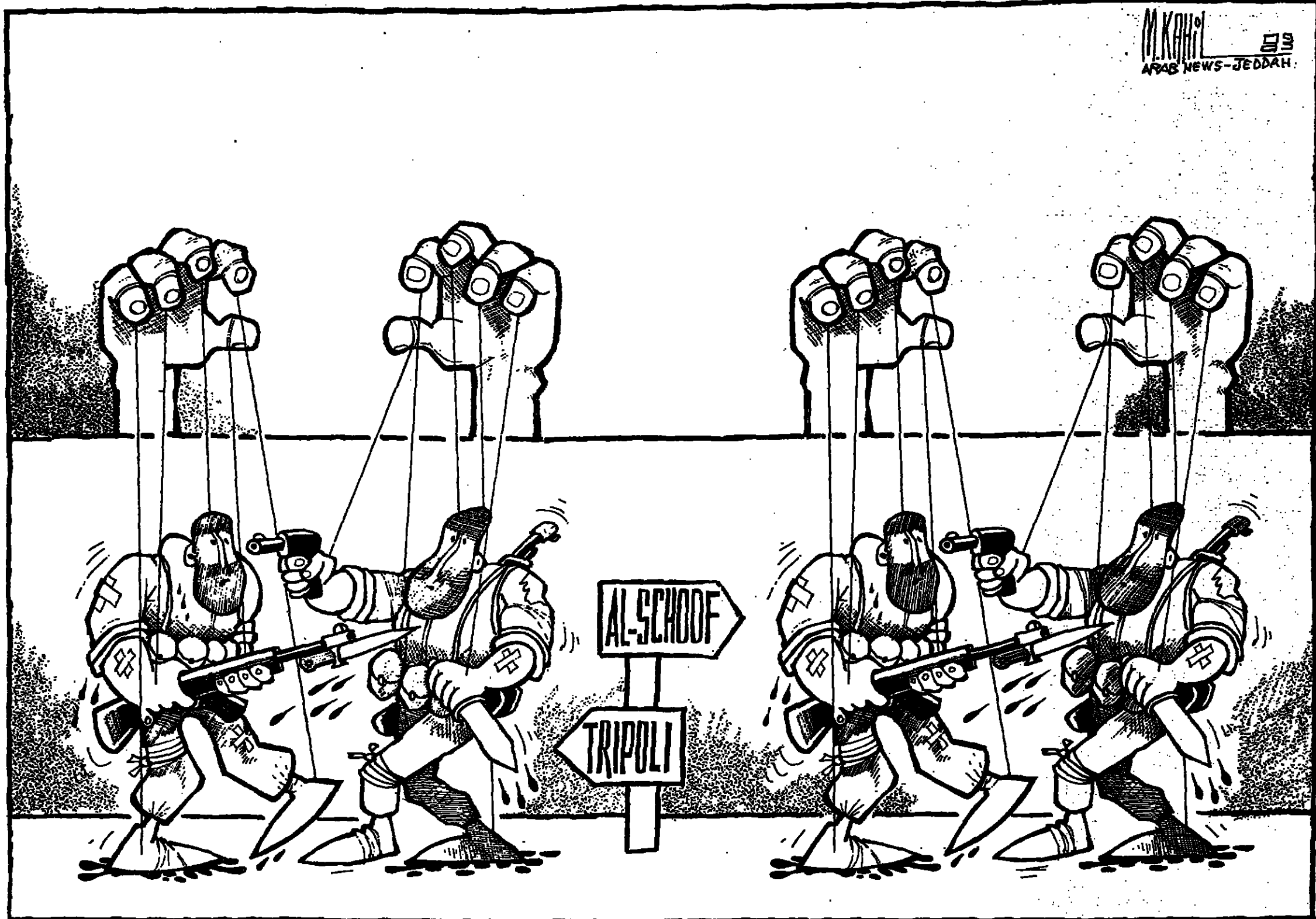
The paper said the strong links among the GCC states in various sectors, especially in the political and economic fields, had become more evident as a result of the sound policies followed by the council. "Moreover, the council's policy is in line with the main policy of the Arab nation since the GCC is part and parcel of the Arab world in a broader sense," it added.

Al-Jazirah deplored the present "negative attitude" of European states toward the Arab-Israeli conflict, recalling their earlier statements supporting Arab and Palestinian rights. The paper

said the "European states negative approach toward developments of the conflict has shown that they are not serious in committing themselves to an effective role in peace efforts underway to resolve the conflict."

Al-Riyadh said the Palestinian commando attack on an Israeli bus in Tel Aviv had exposed the Israeli myth of maintaining a strong security network in the country. The paper added Israel was fully aware of the strength and valiant struggle of the Palestinian people both at the political and military levels. "Moreover, the PLO is defending the legitimate rights of the Palestinian people and checking the Zionist criminal practices against innocent women, children and old people," the paper said.

Commenting on factional fighting in Lebanon, *Al-Yom* said the communal hostilities would not only have a dangerous effect on the Lebanese people but also on the whole Arab world. The paper urged the warring factions to cease fighting immediately and direct all their resources and energies toward Lebanon's prime cause, namely the pull out of Israeli occupation forces. SPA



Americans fail to grasp Israel's imperialistic designs

By Hank Riegler
Special to Arab News

(Editor's note: This is the second instalment of the article on Middle East by an American who analyzes how his countrymen are brain-washed and confused by the Zionists.)

DHAHRAN —

In 1948 when Israel was putting its finishing touches to its decades old claim to Palestine, a claim which for all practical purposes began with the nationalistic movement of Zionism under Theodor Herzl in the last decade of the nineteenth century — although Jewish tradition would trace this claim back for years — most Americans were busy getting retracted after the chaos, destruction, death and finally the victory of World War II. Elderly Americans who were young when Lord Balfour promised Palestine as a home land for the Jews in 1917 (despite the fact that 93 percent of the population were "non-Jewish" and many had lived on the land owned by their ancestors for generations) had two many traumas in their own lives to worry about events several thousand miles away. They had lived through the end of the first world war, the Great Depression and World War II in a 30-year period. They had survived and wanted peace in their remaining years.

The post-teenage and middle aged Americans wanted to enjoy the benefits derived from having participated and conquered in the war and they felt a pride in keeping America Number One in industry and the good life. They had earned the victory the hard way, had sacrificed greatly (as did people of many nations) and were caught up in their own affairs. Those of us who were young in 1948 did not know and did not care about the double dealing Sykes-Picot Agreement of 1916 which carved up the Middle East for British and French colonial interests — without the consent of the people who lived in the area. We did not know about the stage-managed and historically dubious accounts of the Arabs fleeing from their homes following the deliberate massacre of approximately 260 innocent men, women and children at Deir Yassin (perhaps the fathers or grandfathers of some of the Israeli soldiers who "saw no heard anything" at Shatila and Sabra were among the killers at this small Palestinian village; if so, it is fair to assume that they taught their children well).

Letter to the editor

A welcome change

Sir,

I recently arrived at Dhahran International Airport after a 30-hour trip from California with my wife and children and looked forward, with great anxiety, to the ordeal of going through the long lines at passport control and customs with three children crying and running around.

But what a pleasant surprise when we found that we were escorted to the head of the line at passport control by a very courteous Saudi official and again brought to the head of the line at customs by a very courteous Saudi gentleman who appeared to be in charge of the customs area. There were three very long, but orderly lines at customs. This is in contrast to the experiences we had previously going through customs, both here in Saudi Arabia and particularly in the United States where we had to wait in long lines.

My family and I truly appreciate the kindness and consideration shown by those officials toward ourselves and the other families that travel every day. It was a great improvement and I hope that it continues this way for the sake of others travelling with small children.

Too often, people only voice complaints about the way things are, but to be fair we must give credit where credit is due.

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We did not know about the terrorist tactics employed for years by the Stern Gang and the Irgun in their attempts to wrest Palestine from the Arabs. We did not know that Zionist zealots assassinated Count Folke Bernadotte because he saw the futility of the partition plan and was about to make a recommendation against it to the United Nations. Of course, we did not know about acts of brutality committed by Arabs against Jews in retaliation and in defense of land which they had every right to consider their own. We were more interested in whether the Cleveland Indians would beat the Boston Braves in the World Series that year. We were young and we were impressionable. All that America seemed to know about the Middle East and all we were permitted to think about, as a nation, was that a small group of valiant Zionists were fighting masses of hostile Arabs and there was never any doubt about who was right.

This lack of doubt stemmed from several attitudes which Americans have been raised with and none of these attitudes was had in itself. But these attitudes were rooted in generational differences. These elderly Americans were good, God-fearing, religious people for whom church attendance was something not to be questioned. They read their Old and New Testaments and could find many Biblical quotations which could be interpreted as justifying the Jewish claim to Palestine. More than likely, most of them did not know that there were some Jews who did not agree that the Zionism of Herzl was the only valid interpretation of Jewish scriptures.

This land grab in Palestine has been deplored by many Jews as being an aberration of all that Judaism stands for. But the voice of this minority was muted in comparison with those Jews who loudly proclaimed the fulfillment of the prophets was to be found in the creation of a political entity in Palestine. And these Americans for the most part certainly had nothing more against Jews than against anyone else. After all, Jews were their neighbors and most people respected Jewish ambitions in the professions. They recognized that Jews were among the best scientists, doctors, lawyers, accountants and bankers. These Americans admired people who worked hard and "got ahead" and there was no doubt that many Jewish people were industrious. These elderly people believed in the brotherhood of man as an ideal which they learned from their religious upbringing and now they were asked to apply that sense of brotherhood with a group of people who were fighting an uphill battle (or so they believed) in Palestine. It did not seem important that this sense of brotherhood with one people was being associated with necessary infringement of the rights of another group of humans who shared the bond of being part of the same brotherhood of man. And these elderly Americans passed on their defense of Israel to their children, and that was a time when children were much more receptive to parental ideas and more likely to obey blindly even if they disagreed in their hearts. But we children did not disagree because we had no reason to think otherwise.

Those Americans who carried the bulk of the burden in the actual fighting of the war had seen their countrymen (and Allies) fight back from staggering initial defeats and unpreparedness and these were the ones primarily responsible for the victories in Europe and Asia. These Americans were proud to say, "I was at Normandy on D-Day," or "My outfit sank Japanese ships in the Battle of the Coral Sea in the Pacific." War had confirmed our belief that we were a superpower. War seemed to be a necessary step toward national greatness — if wars had to be fought. These people had defeated Hitler's mighty legions and destroyed Imperial Japanese ambitions. And now over there in Palestine was another army fighting against great odds for the right to live in peace in what they claimed as their ancestral home. These Americans found it very easy to identify with the struggling Zionists because we shared a common destiny in a recent war. It did not matter that these Americans were almost never permitted to hear the Arab version of events. It was all so clear cut and there was never

any doubt who was right.

And those of us who were too young to know very much about the facts of World War II or about the "six million" (a figure highly suspect in modern historical thought since analyses of census figures taken before and after the war by several reliable sources would seem to cast great doubt that there possibly could have been six million killed in the war) or about the behind the scenes maneuvering for the show trial at Nuremberg, we lived normal American childhoods blessed with the advantages accruing to families who had survived the economic nightmare of the Depression and the horrors of a European war. We had no idea that we were like blank plastic discs waiting to have attitudes about the Middle East pressed into us so that we would carry them with us the rest of our lives.

Americans in general must have had almost no idea that we were going to be subjected to one of the greatest orchestrations of political propaganda that perhaps the world has ever seen. And we were ready to absorb it all because the conditions were right.

The orchestration swung into high gear in the fifties. While continuing to expropriate Palestinian land and passing laws granting priority rights to Jews settling in Israel at the expense of the rights of the people who had lived on the land for generations, Israel did all in its power to propagate the image of a brave democracy battling the forces of evil, a bastion of freedom and an ally to be steadfastly relied on because we had so many things in common. Naturally, the average American did not know that in 1951 an Israeli working for the Haganah, Yehuda Tajar, had been part of a Zionist operation in Iraq designed to terrorize Iraqi Jews into leaving for Palestine so that the "ingathering" would seem totally spontaneous and sincere. It did not matter that three bombs were planted outside of synagogues and that one Jewish boy was killed. All that mattered was that 10,000 Jews signed up to leave the country because they were convinced that this was part of an anti-Jewish movement by Iraqi radicals. And naturally, the average American did not know about the Lavon Affair, a plan which was conceived by the Israeli government which called for the fire bombing of two U.S. Information Service libraries in Cairo. The purpose was to sabotage American and British attempts to establish a rapprochement with Egypt. And naturally we Americans could not fathom this bastion of freedom was being built on the repression of the freedoms of others.

We Americans have always prided ourselves that we were a land of opportunity and that anybody could make a success of himself if he just worked hard enough. We were not bound by rigid class strata like the English nobility or commoner. We were not limited by not being a member of the ruling family. We were not restricted because we were not part of the military junta's inner circle. We believed in equality of opportunity for all (although we did not practice it if someone happened to be black). And here were a simple people trying to till the unwilling soil of Palestine so that they could be free to live their lives peacefully. They were pioneers in the same spirit that had fashioned a great country out of the North American wilderness two centuries before. There could be no way that we could do anything other than identify with the Israelis. After all, we had forgotten the Indians so why should we remember the Palestinians?

But McCarthyism and Korea distracted our post-war euphoria and implanted in us the specter of Evil in the form of communism. The cold war became part of our psychological orientation and things were never the same again. Little did we suspect that the state being formulated in Palestine would become, according to our leaders, our forward outpost against this insidious ideology. Little did we suspect that our Pentagon planners were figuring on using Israel as a testing ground for the latest American technology in the art of warfare. But Israel was conveniently there and the pragmatists saw that we could use Israel for our long range interests. Unfortunately, these pragmatists failed to see how Israel would use us for its long term survival.

Our Happy Days existence of the fifties came in for a jolt in 1956 as President Eisenhower challenged the right of the Israelis (along with the British and French) to add the Suez Canal area to their budding empire. He thus has gone down in history as the only American president to have the courage to ignore petty politics by standing up to Israelis. Most Americans did not know that David Ben-Gurion deliberately sought a showdown with Egypt so that the Arabs would have to sue for peace on Israel's terms. All that many Americans probably suspected was that "little Israel" was being treated unfairly even if it was by an American president. Obviously, President Eisenhower had to be misguided.

These were the realities of the fifties which we did not fully understand, but the end of the decade gave us an image of the Israelis that has not been erased to this day. Perhaps, one of the most influential novels in recent American literature appeared in 1958. It was Leon Uris' *Exodus*. This saga of an Israeli freedom fighter, Ari Ben Canaan, and his American nurse friend, Kitty Fremont, was much more than a romantic coming together between a man and a woman. It became a marriage of two national consciousnesses, a merging of two cultural mentalities that shared so much. It reminded us of our struggle for greatness and glory throughout two centuries, the difficulties, the triumphs, the sadness, the joy. It made us admire another people who were experiencing a twentieth-century rebirth after a lapse of almost two millennia of dispersion. And Hollywood hit us with the movie version and records of the sound track brought the haunting music of the Holy Land into our homes so that we could hear it for years to come and think of that great struggle being hammered out half a world away. We bought the book by the millions, but more importantly we bought the fantasy of the book. And that has made a big difference. We loved the image and ignored the underlying reality of Israel's imperialistic design.

(To be continued)

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Tuesday, Jan. 11, the 11th day of 1983. There are 354 days left in the year.

Highlights in history on this date:

1569 — First lottery in England is drawn in St. Paul's Cathedral under patronage of Queen Elizabeth I.

1887 — Otto Von Bismarck advocates a larger German army.

1898 — Major M.C. Eschzyr is acquitted in trial for alleged forgery of documents in Dreyfus case in France.

1919 — Romania annexes Transylvania.

1923 — French and Belgian troops occupy Ruhr when Germany fails on war reparations.

1924 — Eleutherios Venizelos becomes premier of Greek National Assembly.

1946 — Constituent Assembly in Albania proclaims people's republic.

1964 — Panama suspends diplomatic relations with U.S. after clashes between Panamanian students and U.S. troops in canal zone.

1968 — Israel and Egypt reach accord to exchange prisoners of war under auspices of International Red Cross.

1976 — President Rodriguez Lara of Ecuador is ousted in a coup.

1982 — At an emergency NATO meeting in Brussels, members of the Western alliance condemn the Soviet Union for its support of the martial law regime in Poland.

Thought for today:

I am always ready to learn, but I do not always like to be taught — Sir Winston Churchill, British statesman (1874-1965).

A village decimated Unknown guns kill Guatemalan children

By Christopher Dickey

"E.T. (Guerrilla Army of the Poor) give yourself up to the national army and you will be pardoned. Think of your family, children, plot of land, house and your life."

— Scrawled message on graveyard chapel, PUJUIL, Guatemala (WP) — Something terrible happened here.

The charred remains of houses, the crude wooden crosses that march raggedly across the little cemetery, the shortness of breath that marks the peasants' voices when they are asked about "the problems" of the last year, all testify to the suffering.

The Indians of this village near the town of Solola at the center of what has been bitterly contested territory, say more than 100 of their people have been killed since December 1981 and that the killing did not end until three months ago. Some say the total number of dead, including women and children, is closer to 200.

The villagers say that from early April until late September of last year much of the village was deserted, its residents in hiding or having fled to the coast or to Guatemala City. But no one says who decimated the population of this village. Asked that question, the answer, always, is *A saber* — who knows?

The clear implication here is that, whatever security the villagers have they find in real or professed ignorance of the cause of the horrors around them.

In a confusing and bloody war where guerrillas are said to dress as the army and the army as guerrillas — each to raise the level of alleged atrocity for which the other is blamed — where each side demands peasant loyalty and tends to view failure to support it as betrayal, and where thousands of peasants have died because their loyalties were suspect, it is rare for the bystanders, who often become the victims, to talk openly.

A priest with long experience in the region tells of Indian parishioners who say they know nothing at all about the killing until they go into confession, and know nothing about it again when they come out. But if the peasants practice a see-and-speak-no-evil policy to survive, other players and sideline observers in the Guatemalan conflict seem more than ready to provide definitive versions of what is going on here.

A steady barrage of guerrilla propaganda invariably defines rebel attacks on the government's militias as blows against the official agents of repression, and the government's attacks on guerrilla militias as massacres of civilians. Thus, in November, the revolutionary organization of armed people could claim 2,305 casualties inflicted on the enemy in three years of operation while reporting only 69 losses of its own.

The government plays a similar game but on a larger scale. At the beginning of all-out war against the guerrillas in November 1981, senior army officers stated openly that they would have to wipe out what they called "family nuclei," including children, whom they considered essential to the revolutionary organizations in the countryside.

Although the army no longer talks openly about such measures, that basic policy continued well into the summer, until the army believed it had established a foothold in previously guerrilla-held territory.

On the sidelines, adding fuel to various positions within the extremes of government and guerrilla propaganda are human rights groups, the press and the U.S. Embassy.

The London-based human rights group Amnesty International accused the military government of President Rios Montt of killing more than 2,600 peasants in a military offensive last year. It listed more than 100 incidents in which it said civilians were killed. Other international and U.S. rights groups have also issued studies blaming the government for most of the killings of civilians in the countryside.

U.S. Embassy studies distributed to visiting reporters devote dozens of pages to debunking Amnesty International's statistics indicating government responsibility for atrocities. It finds that not one government massacre reported by the human rights group between March 23 and July can be confirmed as such.

The embassy, citing the army or the local press and dismissing Amnesty sources as "Marxist," determines that two reported incidents in April — when 45 persons allegedly died in this village — are either unverifiable or may have happened during combat.

Pujuil is 90 minutes and perhaps a quarter tank of gas from Guatemala City beneath a

scenic overlook on the Pan-American Highway. But the people of Pujuil and other victims of the war in the ravaged countryside are rarely interested in assigning responsibility any more. Clearly, the last year has been a nightmare they are trying to forget.

Mateo Jose Kin, 35, for instance, says he remembers only that it was impossible to go up to the Pan-American Highway without dying. People would leave to take their goods to market, and, again and again, be found dead by the road. The highway, for him, became synonymous with death.

More educated residents of Solola provide a little more detail. Some remember that not long after the guerrillas briefly captured that town, killing 10 persons including the provincial governor on Oct. 28, 1981, the army of then-President Romeo Lucas Garcia began a steady, hard-fought campaign "to cure" the area, moving up the highway and the mountains from Santa Apolonia, through Xepol and Pujuil toward Los Encuentros and Solola.

The guerrillas fought back hard. Although the army had set up a major base at Xepol, a former Catholic church and rectory, by January 1981, the rebels continued sporadic attacks and sabotaged the area's highways at least into mid-April, according to their own literature and local accounts.

Even among social activists in Guatemala City, who generally attribute major responsibility for the massacres to government troops, there is disillusionment with guerrilla tactics that tended to sacrifice civilians in army traps. "If you have a lion in a cage and put a baby in the cage," said one priest in the capital, "and you stand outside and start poking the lion and then say, 'My God, look what happened to that baby,' well, you kind of knew that was going to happen in the first place."

Juan Tun, 50, and his nephew, Mariano Tun, 32, remember that there was a big "confrontation" between "the armies" in April or March when many people left. But they hid, they said, and were not sure what happened.

A resident of Solola recalls at least 40 bodies from Pujuil being buried after the army tried to trap a group of guerrilla fighters in a pincer movement. The non-combatant villagers, according to accounts heard in Solola, tried to flee up a steep hill toward the highway where the army was already positioned and opened fire with devastating effect.

But, according to Juan Tun, most of the people in the village died "little by little," week after week, and month after month.

"Some were taken out in the night and never came back," said his nephew, who took them?

"One doesn't know."

The Tuns and kin are members of the civil patrol, along with every other boy and man capable of working. Since the patrols were organized in October, everything is calm, they say.

But on New Year's Day I was making my third visit to Pujuil and was noting down the warning to guerrillas on the wall of the cemetery chapel when a man appeared nearby moaning unintelligibly as children watched in fascination and with what might have been fear.

He wanted, it seemed desperately, to explain something. But as his identification papers said, Juan Xoch is a deaf mute. He pointed to the children and suddenly made his hands hold an imaginary machine gun shooting them down. Again and again he made the gesture and wept.

Xoch took my hand, kissed it in reverence, perhaps thinking me a priest, and led me up through the cemetery to seven fresh graves. The dates painted crudely on the wooden crosses ranged from Nov. 20 to Dec. 29, 1982. One of the two who died on Nov. 20 was named Xoch. So was one who died on Dec. 25.

The mute pointed to the valley below, to the graves, to the valley. Again he made as if to shoot. He suddenly stood at attention and saluted. He whirled his hand over his head and pointed to the sky. He seemed for a moment to despair of my understanding what had happened or to whom.

A little boy tried to explain: "He is saying, 'bullets ate my children.' But the boy could not explain where the bullets might have come from."

There are no official reports of any military action in those days in that area. Local commanders and soldiers denied rumors that there was an incident in or near Los Encuentros. "Lies," said several. Something terrible happened here to Juan Xoch. But what it was, who was responsible, exactly, remains "unverifiable."



VILLAIN AND FANS: These boys were very much pleased when the popular villain of *Star Wars*, Darth Vader, appeared in Dusseldorf, West Germany, recently. The helmeted protagonist is "landing" in different places as part of a special campaign for the film.

For launch next month

Challenger crew all set

By Dawn Liddicoat
Houston Bureau

HOUSTON — "We're ready to go tomorrow," said Paul J. Weitz, commander of the space shuttle *Challenger*, scheduled for launch on Feb. 1 at a press conference at Johnson Space Center in Houston, Texas. The *Challenger*'s maiden flight, however, may be delayed due to a recently discovered hydrogen leak in its main engines.

Flight 6 of the space transportation system will deploy a tracking and data relay satellite (TDRS-A), a communications satellite which is the first of three scheduled to provide a continuous network of high-capacity communications between Earth and the operational space shuttle and up to 26 other earth-orbiting spacecraft simultaneously. STS-6 will be the first flight of *Orbiter 099*. The *Challenger*, thus will test the workability of the spacecraft.

Originally scheduled for three days, STS-6 has been extended to five days to include an extra-vehicular activity (EVA). Mission specialists Dr. Story Musgrave and Donald H. Peterson will conduct the EVA on flight day four. They will evaluate suit mobility, perform several tasks related to the payload



SPACE SUIT: Bob Adams, an EVA engineer at the Johnson Space Center, Houston, demonstrates the hook and 50-foot tether like the one astronauts Story Musgrave and Donald Peterson will use during work session in the cargo bay of *Challenger*.

restraint device, evaluate possible orbiter payload contingency EVA tasks, and perform tests on mobility while carrying a mass.

Dr. Musgrave, also a medical doctor, may be able to observe what is known as "space adaptation sickness," although his primary responsibility is successful deployment of the TDRS.

Three "get away specials" will be aboard the *Challenger* on its first flight. The get away special (GAS) program allows universities, government agencies, businesses and individuals to pay for the opportunity to conduct experiments in the shuttle. The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) provides the canister in which the experiment will be conducted, which is bolted into the shuttle's cargo bay. Park Seed Company will be the first commercial application of NASA's GAS program. The small firm from South Carolina will send various types of flower, vegetable and herb seeds into space to determine the effects of space travel on seeds, a step toward facilitating a permanently manned space station which will require plant food growth in space. Also aboard the *Challenger* will be six experiments developed by U.S. Air Force Academy cadets studying various applications of metals, and microorganism development in zero-gravity. A Japanese company experiment occupies the third GAS container.

The satellites making up the tracking and data relay satellite systems (TDRSS) are the largest and most advanced communications satellites developed thus far. They will provide almost full-time communications capabilities, instead of the existing network of ground stations which can provide coverage up to only 20 percent of the time. Each weighs almost 5,000 pounds (2,250 kilograms) and measures 57 feet (17 meters) across the solar panels.

The TDRSS includes two operational satellites and an in-orbit spare. They will be positioned over the equator about 130 degrees apart. The TDRSS East will be stationed over the northeast corner of Brazil. The TDRSS West southwest of Hawaii. The in-orbit spare will be centrally located and available for use if one of the operational satellites malfunctions, or to augment system capabilities during peak periods.

STS-6 marks the first flight for three of its crew members, while Commander Weitz served as pilot on Skylab 2, the first manned Skylab mission which launched on May 25 and ended on June 22, 1973. Pilot Karol J. Bobko, an Air Force colonel, became a NASA astronaut in 1969. He was a crew member on the Skylab Medical Experiments Altitude Test (SMEAT), a 56-day simulation of the Skylab mission, enabling crew members to collect medical data. Mission specialist Donald H. Peterson, a NASA astronaut since 1969, served on the support crew for Apollo 16.

Oscar race offers confusion for voters

By Bob Thomas

HOLLYWOOD, California (AP) — This year's race for the golden statue of movie making in America could offer some confusion for the voters of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences Awards.

Should Dustin Hoffman's double role in *Tootsie* rank as best performance as an actor or an actress? And how about Julie Andrews' masquerade as a man in *Victor Victoria*? Then there's John Lithgow, of *The World According to Garp*.

What kind of an award should go to the biggest star of 1982, E.T.? And what about all those other beasts who comprise the cast of *The Dark Crystal*?

It's that time of year again, when the Oscar race starts to heat up, and studio publicity departments compete for the attention of academy members. The sound and fury will continue until Feb. 17, when the nominations are announced. Then the final campaign begins. Now that eligibility is closed, the probable nominees have become more apparent. Here are some considerations in the six leading categories:

Best picture: *E.T.* — The Extra-Terrestrial, *Gandhi*, *Tootsie*, *The Verdict*, *An Officer and a Gentleman*. Other possibilities include: *Sophie's Choice*, *Missing*, *The World According to Garp*, *My Favorite Year*, *Victor Victoria*.

Best actor: Ben Kingsley, *Gandhi*, Dustin Hoffman, *Tootsie*, Paul Newman, *The Verdict*, Peter O'Toole, *My Favorite Year*, Jack Lemmon, *Missing*. Others to consider: Richard Gere, *An Officer and a Gentleman*, Robert Mitchum, *That Championship Season*, Jeremy

Irons, *Moonlighting*, Michael Caine, *Death-trap*, Robin Williams, *The World According to Garp*.

Best Actress: Meryl Streep, *Sophie's Choice*, Jessica Lange, *Frances*, Julie Andrews, *Victor Victoria*, Sissy Spacek, *Mis-sing*, Debra Winger, *An Officer and a Gentle-man*. Others: Mary Beth Hurt, *The World According to Garp*, Diane Keaton, *Shoot the Moon*, Charlotte Rampling, *The Verdict*.

Best Supporting Actor: Robert Preston, *Victor Victoria*, Lou Gossett, *An Officer and a Gentleman*, James Mason and Jack Warden, *The Verdict*, John Lithgow, *The World According to Garp*. Others include: Henry Thomas, *E.T.*, Charles Durning, *The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas*, Ricardo Montalban, *Star Trek II: The Wrath of Khan*, Rutger Hauer, *Blade Runner*, David Keith, *An Officer and a Gentleman*.

Best Supporting Actress: Jessica Lange, *Tootsie*, Glenn Close, *The World According to Garp*, Dee Wallace, *E.T.*, Leslie Ann Warren, *Victor Victoria*, Lindsay Crouse, *The Verdict*. Others: Kim Stanley, *Frances*, Carol Burnett, *Annie*, Shelley Long, *Night Shift*, Jessica Tandy, *Best Friends*, Susan Sarandon, *Tempest*.

Best Director: Steven Spielberg, *E.T.*, Richard Attenborough, *Gandhi*, Sydney Pollack, *Tootsie*, Sidney Lumet, *The Verdict*, Taylor Hackford, *An Officer and a Gentle-man*. Other considerations: Henri Costa-Gavras, *Missing*, George Roy Hill, *The World According to Garp*, Alan J. Pakula, *Sophie's Choice*, Blake Edwards, *Victor Victoria*, Richard Benjamin, *My Favorite Year*.

The Oscars will be a little late this year — April 11.

Chinese mourn rapid decline of cranes, pandas and frogs

By Michael Parks

QIQIHAR, China (LAT) — One by one, Wu Changsheng counted the 200 red-crowned cranes when they left two months ago. And one by one, he intends to count them when they return to their marshland home here in the spring.

One of the world's most beautiful birds, the crane has become one of the most endangered — a victim of economic development.

Fewer than 2,000 red-crowned cranes, named for the bright red crest on their heads when they reach maturity, are left in North-east Asia, half of them in China. Until three years ago, that number was being almost halved each year as the birds' wetlands habitats were developed for agriculture and industry.

The cranes' breeding grounds were being destroyed so quickly that their whole reproductive cycle was threatened, "one official said. "What was worse, people were stealing the cranes' eggs and hunters were shooting them, particularly when they went south for the winter."

The rapid decline in the number of red-crowned cranes, and several other crane species as well, was particularly bitter for the Chinese, who admire the birds' beauty and see them as symbols of longevity. "A red-crowned crane might live for 60 years," said Wang Gui, another Zhaling official. "And to have them killed, whether deliberately or by the destruction of their habitat, is a national tragedy."

The establishment of the 162-square-mile Zhaling preserve along the Wuyang River appears to have stabilized the number of Chinese cranes, according to Cheng Suxuan, a senior wildlife specialist for Heilongjiang province.

The preserve is being expanded. Chinese officials said, so that it will total almost 810 square miles — enough for at least half of China's 1,000 cranes.

While most international attention has been focused on China's efforts to save the giant panda, whose habitat has also been reduced by economic development, officials in the northeast part of the country have been working to safeguard not just the red-crowned crane but also the Manchurian tiger.

In 1976, China had only 80 of these tigers

left, according to a government wildlife survey, and that number was probably reduced substantially in 1980, when unusually heavy snows either killed the tigers' prey, such as wild boar or deer, or drove smaller animals out of the forests and mountains onto the prairies.

China may have only 300 "snow tigers" as the Manchurian and Siberian tigers are collectively known, and the survival rate of their cubs is believed to be no more than 40 percent out of the four or five litters a female has in her 25-year life. "We have special preserves for the tigers, too," Cheng said, describing efforts to drive sufficient numbers of deer and bear into the mountain forests to ensure that there is enough food for them.

China's expanding wildlife protection program is aimed not just at preserving what Cheng called "major species," such as the panda, red-crowned crane and Manchurian tiger, but also the hundreds of lesser species that Cheng says "contribute to the genetic diversity" of the country's wildlife. The Zhaling preserve was established primarily to save the red-crowned crane, Cheng said, but more than 100 other species of birds, particularly water fowl, live among its reeds.

Altogether, Heilongjiang has nine provincial wildlife preserves, encompassing the largest area in any Chinese province, and it has encouraged neighboring Jilin and Liaoning provinces to undertake joint efforts. Heilongjiang even has a 9,000-acre preserve for frogs near the Songhua River. "People tend to treat frogs as a sort of cash crop to be harvested and sold to restaurants, so we have to help them, too," Cheng said.

The Harbin and other regional zoos have been attempting to breed the Manchurian tiger. In Harbin, one tiger has produced four cubs in a single year, and all are healthy. Similarly, under Wu, the Zhaling preserve has begun to breed and raise the cranes, having domesticated nearly 90 birds. Most are hatched from eggs found in abandoned nests here. "We hope by study of these domesticated cranes to learn the secret of protecting the whole species," Wu said.

Standing almost four feet tall, red-crowned cranes are mostly white, with black feathers on the wings and neck. They spend the spring, summer and early autumn here and winter along the Yangtze River about 1,200 miles to the south.



ILLNESS IS
A PRIVATE
MATTER

By Peter J.
Steincrohn
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Dear Dr. Steincrohn: My husband has a bad habit — broadcasting how he feels. He seems to think that his state of health is important information for his friends and his business associates. He doesn't believe, as I do, that illness should be a private matter. Two years ago, when doctors discovered he had an ulcer, everyone knew about it within a week. Why should that bother me? Not a day goes by that some friend doesn't call to ask, "How's Jack's ulcer behaving?" Between my friends, his illness seems to be the main topic of conversation. But, he basks in the light of his ulcer. When we go to a dinner party, the hostess is invariably concerned about what he should and shouldn't eat. Others talk about the international situation. With our family, it's the local situation — Jack's ulcer. Interesting? — Mrs. B.

Dear Mrs. B.: I've known many patients who were sorry they broadcast their illness. I agree it's illness can't be kept a complete secret. Family should know, so should close business associates. Otherwise, illness should be a private matter. Usually, it's not the wife/husband who suffers from such publicity, but the patient. Listen to an attorney who regrets he "advertised" his ulcer: "I was a fool in telling so many of my friends and people at the courthouse downtown that I have an ulcer. After a while I got sick and tired of hearing people ask, 'How are you feeling today?' I'd also keep receiving unasked for advice from all quarters, what to eat and what not to eat, which medicines were more helpful, etc. Although I still have my ulcer, I go around telling people I'm completely cured. That has helped a little, but sympathy and advice still keep trickling in. If I ever get a heart attack, nobody will know about it until I drop dead!"

MEDICALETTES
(Replies to and from readers)

Dear Dr. Steincrohn: For years, we've waited for a child. At last, I'm pregnant. But my husband is very impatient. He's quite anxious to know whether or not it's a boy. So, he would like the doctor to determine our child's sex before birth. But, my obstetrician advises against it. Will you back him up? — Mrs. L.

Dear Mrs. L.: Your obstetrician makes good sense. The procedure is called amniocentesis. It should not be performed unless there is suspicion of a genetic abnormality. Inserting a needle into a baby's amniotic sac to withdraw some fluid presents some risk to the unborn child. Therefore, your husband should realize the test should not be used simply to satisfy an impatient parent's curiosity. If your husband understands this, I doubt he will keep insisting on amniocentesis.

(Tomorrow: Sick of dieting — ready for surgery)

SELF-SERVICING

WRITTEN & DRAWN BY BILL CALDWELL

WORKING UNDER THE CAR

FIRST, IF YOU'RE RAISING THE CAR OFF THE GROUND NEVER USE A JACK ALONE OR A PILE OF BRICKS OR ANY IMPROVISED METHOD. THIS CAN BE VERY DANGEROUS.

USE A PAIR OF STURDY CAR RAMPS TO RAISE THE FRONT OR REAR OF THE CAR (CHOCK THE WHEELS STILL ON THE GROUND).

OR AXLE STANDS WHICH LEAVE THE WHEELS FREE TO WORK ON. USE ON FRONT OR BACK WHEELS, OR ALL FOUR.

A 'CREEPER' — A VERY LOW TROLLEY ON CASTORS CAN BE A GREAT HELP. IT ALLOWS YOU TO SLIDE UNDER AND OUT EASILY, AND FROM PLACE TO PLACE IN COMFORT AND OFF THE COLD AND, OFTEN, WET GARAGE FLOOR.

FOR USE IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE CREEPER — A SHALLOW TOOL BOX. IF YOU'VE TRIED TO GET TOOLS OUT OF A BOX THAT ONLY JUST FITS UNDER THE CAR, YOU'LL UNDERSTAND WHAT A USEFUL THING THIS CAN BE.

A MOVING LIGHT IS A NECESSITY. BUT TO BE ANY GOOD IT MUST HAVE A WIRE CAGE AND A CLAMP-TYPE HANDLE.

Over farm exports

U.S.-EEC trade war threat recedes

DALLAS, Texas, Jan. 10 (R) — The threat of a trade war over agricultural exports between the United States and the European Economic Community appears to have diminished, the leader of the largest American farm organization has said.

Robert Delano, president of the American Farm Bureau Federation, told a press conference Sunday that he had detected "a softening" in the attitude of both the United States and the Common Market since a high-level meeting in Brussels last month between U.S. and European officials.

The two sides resume talks in Washington on Tuesday to try to ease strains over what the United States says are large export subsidies used by the community to capture American farmers' traditional markets.

The United States has threatened to retaliate with a package of trade measures unless the community accepts demands for a gradual end to the export subsidies. But Delano, speaking at the start of his federal

tion's annual meeting, said agreement between the two sides now seemed closer.

Delano also said the United States would continue to urge Japan to reduce quotas on imported beef and citrus, a move vigorously opposed by the Japanese farm lobby.

The Japanese government recently announced plans to lower import duties on many farm products, including tobacco, but excluded beef and citrus from the measures.

Delano reported strong support among farmers for President Reagan's plan to give away surplus government-owned grain in return for large cuts in production this year as way of reducing huge surplus stocks and lowering federal spending on costly farm support programs.

But he also said that the program could result in too much grain coming onto the market at once, driving prices even lower.

Reagan is expected to announce that the administration will go ahead with the program without congressional approval when he addresses about 5,000 farmers Tuesday.

Greece acts to boost economy

ATHENS, Jan. 10 (R) — Greece's Socialist government, moving to narrow a gaping trade deficit and boost the economy, announced a 15.5 percent devaluation of the drachma Sunday night and said it would take measures to control imports.

Economy Minister Gerassimos Arsenis announced on television that the devaluation, pushing the dollar up to 84 drachmas from 71, would take effect immediately and apply to all currencies.

He also said that in a few days the government would take measures aimed at bringing imports from its European Economic Community partners down to the level they ran at before Greece became a member in January 1981. Imports from other countries would also be controlled, he said.

He did not spell out the import control measures but he said they would not breach Greece's community accession treaty and that Athens had warned its community partners of its intention.

The latest Greek trade figures show that exports fell from \$3.91 billion in the first 10 months of 1981 to \$3.46 billion in the same period of 1982.

Imports fell from \$9.41 billion to \$8.37 billion, to give a drop in the trade deficit from \$5.49 billion to \$4.91 billion. But economists say the drop in imports was mainly due to the running down of oil stocks, and that this factor will not recur in 1983.

Greece has traditionally paid for its huge gaps on visible trade through shipping, tourism and remittance from emigrants. But with all these sources of revenue currently threatened by the world recession, economists say there is a danger of a dramatic rise in Greece's current account deficit this year.

The deficit, which determines how much

money Greece needs to borrow abroad, narrowed in 1982 to around \$2 billion from 2.4 billion in 1981 but this improvement was almost entirely due to lower oil purchases.

Greek agriculture, while benefiting from generous European Community subsidies, has also faced an onslaught of competition from Western Europe.

Arsenis said Sunday night the government was determined to keep the drachma stable at its new level. "The government states categorically that it has not only the will but also the means to maintain the new parity of the drachma," he said.

He also promised to set up new state organizations to promote exports, study markets and provide export credit. "With these measures, the government thinks that agricultural income, the volume and value of exports, industrial production and employment will all rise significantly," the economy minister said.

U.S. firm to set up Sudan's oil pipeline

KHARTOUM, Jan. 10 (R) — The Sudanese government and Standard Oil of California have signed an agreement to build a 1,450-km (900-mile) pipeline and a terminal on the Red Sea to export Sudanese oil, the government announced.

Standard Chairman George Keller told a news conference after the agreement was signed Saturday night that the project would lead to exports of 50,000 barrels per day by 1985 and perhaps twice that amount eventually.

The total cost of the project would be about \$2.5 billion including about \$600 million already spent on the search for oil in southwest Sudan, Keller said. Financing would be raised by Standard, he added.

Abu Dhabi registers gas output record

ABU DHABI, Jan. 10 (WAM) — The Abu Dhabi Gas Liquefaction Company (ADGC) has set a new record in LNG production for 1982 with production exceeding 2,200,000 metric tons at its Das Island plant compared with 2,032,830 metric tons in 1981.

This is revealed in the company's new in-house magazine, *The Flame* which has just been published with a preface from the minister of petroleum and natural resources, Dr. Mana Said Al-Oteiba who said the magazine is the first step in an information campaign which will highlight the gas industry in the UAE and the readers to the professional and social life of those involved in this "sophisticated industry."

Since the project was first conceived in 1973, feasibility studies indicated that the liquefaction of the offshore gas was commercially viable and that Japan was the potential market for liquefied gas.

The gas was readily available on and around Das Island in huge quantities in association with petroleum production or as cap gas.

Aimed at developing Hokkaido

Japan's longest tunnel yet to see the light of day

TOKYO, Jan. 10 (AFP) — Japan is still working on the world's longest, and probably the costliest, tunnel which was started 12 years ago but is only likely to be completed by 1986 because of numerous problems.

The Seikan Tunnel, which was initially planned before World War II, will link Japan's main island Honshu with the northern island of Hokkaido across the Tsugaru Straits.

It is 54 kms (about 32 miles) long and will enable a train passenger to cross comfortably and speedily from one island to the other. At present the trip is made by daily ferry services, which are canceled almost twice a week because of bad weather conditions.

The tunnel is aimed at developing Hokkaido Island which, like Shikoku Island, is obviously much more backward than Honshu and Kyushu.

Its main city, Sapporo, could ultimately be linked up with Japan's "Shinkansen" bullet train service, making it only six hours away from Tokyo — compared to a 16-hour trip today.

The tunnel was the only answer to link the two islands because of climatic condi-

tions as well as the depth and fierce currents in the straits which made a bridge an impossible project.

This gigantic and ambitious engineering venture has a total work force of about 5,000. Despite precautions, 33 have been killed in accidents or flooding.

Twenty three kms (about 13 miles) of the tunnel are underwater and at its deepest point it is 240 meters (720 feet) below the surface of the water.

The tunnel is being drilled and dug from both ends simultaneously, with a laser beam guiding engineers for accuracy.

There are three tunnels — a pilot tunnel is used for air conditioning and drainage and the second is for supplying materials. Both are four meters (12 feet) in diameter.

The third, main, railway tunnel is 11 meters (33 feet) in diameter and is built to take two "Shinkansen" express lines and a narrow-gauge ordinary one.

Final plans envisage 50 trains daily in both directions, with a "Shinkansen" express reaching a speed of over 200 kms (120 miles) per hour in the tunnel. Digging and drilling operations have been slowed down by the hardness of different rock strata as well as flooding.

Work conditions in the heat and humidity have not been easy, and a work team is relieved after four hours on the tunnel face. Other workers spend up to nine hours underground, two hours of which are spent traveling to and from their construction sites.

A worker earns on average 400,000 yen (\$1,660 monthly, without counting bonuses). The worst accident was in May, 1977 when water poured into the service tunnel and buried workers in mud and sand.

It took five months to shore up the tunnel again and is estimated, together with other technical difficulties, to have delayed completion of the tunnel by two years.

Even today, although the tunnel is so well advanced, there is no absolute certainty that it will ever be in operation as financial experts feel the whole project is too expensive.

The original estimated expenditure in 1971 was 200,000 million yen (about \$830 million), but the economic newspaper *San-kei Shimbun* claims that so far 400,000 million yen (about \$1,660 million) has already been spent, and another 250,000 million yen (\$1,040 million) is needed to complete the tunnel.

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ILO study reveals

Recession plagues over 500m

UNITED NATIONS, Jan. 10 (R) — Five hundred million people aged over 45, more than a quarter of the global work force, are especially vulnerable to the effects of the current recession and technological changes, according to a United Nations study.

The International Labour Organization (ILO) estimates that in developed countries about one worker in three is 45 or over, while the ratio in developing nations is one to four. But only a few industrialized nations, notably Japan, have done much to help these "middle-aged" employees as they have been called, ILO said.

According to the agency, whose annual conference this year will consider the problems of those too young to retire and too old to retrain, the number of over-45-year-olds is expected to increase by 200 million by the turn of the century.

Two years ago, ILO issued a recommendation to governments that they deal with the employment problems of older workers within the context of an overall, well balanced strategy for employment.

Since then the number of jobless has grown virtually in all countries. In the United States the unemployed are believed to total 12 million and ILO records an authoritative projection of 35 million jobless workers in the industrialized nations next year.

But in recommending that governments develop economic strategies to help the older

worker, ILO urged them to make sure that employment problems were not shifted from one group to another in the process.

There should be equality of opportunity, treatment for workers regardless of age, the agency said.

Among the other countries aiding the middle-aged employee is Britain, which has strengthened job security for older workers by increasing employers' share of indemnities payable in case of massive staff reductions.

ILO said that British trade unions were

pressing a "last in, first out" policy that also benefited the older worker. The report cited Canada's creation of a special program to aid older workers in the textile, garment, footwear and leather industries who lost employment because of pricing policies and the introduction of new technology.

West Germany facilitated job placement and vocational training for older workers through wage subsidies or loans to companies that hired unemployed persons over 45 years old, the report said.

Freight rates record gains

LONDON, Jan. 10 (AFP) — Rumors of Soviet chartering, plus fresh activity by Chinese and Iranian charterers, brought a lively start to the new year on the freight market last week, despite the holiday Monday.

Small gains were made in the key trans-Atlantic (USA/Europe) grain trade and steady rates were paid elsewhere.

Significantly, owners were reluctant to let their vessels out for trips to the Far East where rates remain low.

Soviet charterers were said to have booked at least eight vessels to lift South American grain. Details were scanty, but it was understood that a Belgian 64,000 tonner was paid \$3,750 a day for a South American round voyage, and a 50,000 ton West German flag vessel \$3,100 a day for five to seven month's trading.

The Chinese took advantage of the quiet pre-holiday period to book a 30,000 ton grain cargo out of the U.S. Gulf, but had to pay 25 cents, more than previous business last November, when agreeing \$25.25 ton. In addition these charterers fixed a 22,000 ton grain vessel out of the River Plate at \$31.10, which compared with \$30 paid for a 28,000 tonner at the beginning of December, and also a couple of sugar shipments from Cuba.

KARACHI, (AP) — Pakistan has asked Japan, a major supplier of tanning machinery, to provide technical assistance for this country's tanning industry, the state-run Pakistan Council of Scientific and Industrial Research has said. The council said there now are roughly 300 tanneries in Pakistan in need of technical know-how.

BUDAPEST, (AP) — Hungary's income from hard-currency paying Western tourists totaled \$270 million last year, a 25 percent increase, the government newspaper *Magyar Hirlap* reported. It said 12 percent more tourists came to Hungary from the West than in 1981. They spent 15-16 percent more time on an average in the country.

LONDON, (AFP) — Sales of cars in Britain rose by 4.7 percent in 1982 compared with 1981, with imported vehicles accounting for 57.7 percent of the market, the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders has reported. Imports were up by two percent in 1982. A total of 1,555,027 vehicles were put

including a 20,000 tonner at \$34, up \$2 on business done in November.

Sugar inquiry generally attracted a good deal of attention with the Iranians well to the fore, but again details were lacking.

The characters were thought to be seeking as many as 15 ships to cover essential imports, according to one broker. The only confirmed fixture was a 64,000 ton grain cargo being booked out of Australia where, although suitable tonnage was said to be scarce, the \$18.50 paid for loading out of the Western coast was \$1 less than last October.

The U.S. Gulf/Japan grain rate for 50,000 tonners was raised 25 cents when \$15.75/ton was agreed, but out of the U.S. Pacific coast a 34,000 tonner accepted \$10/ton to lift grain to Japan.

In the Hampton Roads/Japan coal trade, the first 50,000 tonner fixed since October obtained \$4.25/ton, a rise of \$2.25 over the period.

In fertilizers, Indian government charterers continued their regular program, booking a 14,000 tonner out of Dakar (Senegal) at \$22, or 50 cents less than the previous fixing. As the week ended, Iran was still seeking tonnage, while the Soviets were rumored to have fixed more vessels.

BRIEFS

on the road. The most popular models were the Ford Escort followed by the Ford Cortina and the Mini Metro.

ROME, (R) — Italian industry lost 13 million hours through labor disputes in November, up from 11 million in October and 3.1 million in November 1981. The Central Statistical Institute, Istat, said. In the first 11 months of 1982 the total number of hours lost was 112.1 million compared with 68.2 million for the same 1981 period, Istat said in a statement.

ABU DHABI, (WAM) — A 13-member U.S. government trade mission headed by Les Gorden from the U.S. Department of Commerce will arrive here from Kuwait on Jan. 13 on a six-day visit to the U.A.E. The mission members represent U.S. companies manufacturing and marketing a variety of electric power generation, transmission and distribution of products, equipment and services.

Strike-hit Renault to lay off 10,700

PARIS, Jan. 10 (AP) — The Renault auto assembly plant at Flins, outside Paris, remained paralyzed Monday as a strike by about 100 paintshop workers went into its fifth day.

A Renault spokesman said negotiations with the four main labor unions resumed Monday following Sunday's decision to lay off 10,700, production line workers indefinitely because of the dispute.

The government, mindful of state-owned Renault's pace-setting labor relations history, wants to keep any pay hikes at the plant within its wage guidelines and thereby prevent a series of inflationary wage demands from spreading throughout the car group and possibly the whole of French industry.

The paintshop workers are demanding an across-the-board monthly pay increase of 300 francs (\$45), changes in job classifications, bigger hardship allowances and an extra 10 minutes shower time.

Management has agreed to the extra shower time and has proposed an increase in the hardship allowance, the spokesman said, but the unions have ignored the offer.

About 18,000 workers are employed at the Flins plant, one of France's biggest. Under normal conditions, 1,650 Renault 5s and Renault 18s roll off its production line each day.

Bangladesh, Iran sign oil accord

DHAKA, Jan. 10 (AP) — Iran will supply Bangladesh 100,000 tons of crude oil, Iranian Vice Minister for Commerce Majid Hyder Zadeh has said.

Majid told newsmen after signing an agreement with Bangladesh that the oil will be supplied "according to Islamic conditions," a reference to preferential treatment.

According to the agreement, Tehran will import jute, jute-products, newsprint, spices and other items from Bangladesh. Iran will export to Bangladesh crude aluminium, sulphur, and heavy vehicles. The delegation left Monday at the end of five-day stay in Bangladesh.

Gulf shipping firm to get 9 containers

ABU DHABI, Jan. 10 (R) — A shipping company owned by six Gulf states will be handling 40 percent of its shareholders' national cargoes after receiving nine container ships from South Korea this year, company officials said Monday.

The United Arab Shipping Company (UASC) will take delivery of the new container ships from the Hyundai Yards, each with a capacity of 1,846 twenty-foot equivalent units (TEU).

Financial Roundup

Yen, French franc rates soar

By J.H. Hammond

JEDDAH, Jan. 10 — The dollar opened on a mixed note on the Monday European exchanges, with the yen and French franc in particular making the advances against the American currency.

On the money markets, Eurodollar deposit rates eased back by around 1/16 percent in most periods on expectations that the U.S. Federal Reserve Board would reduce its discount rate at any moment. But it was the bullion markets that took the center of attention — with both gold and silver prices rising sharply over Friday New York closing levels. Gold prices rose to \$476 an ounce in London and Zurich on Monday after the precious metal had closed at \$467 on Friday. Silver's rise was even more dramatic with silver adding nearly 45 cents to trade at \$11.98/\$12.02 an ounce. This volatility in the silver market will ensure that prices do not reach a stable level for some time yet until the outlook on the dollar is clearer especially dollar interest rate trends.

In the local markets, Monday saw local deposit rates ease further by around 1/4 percent especially in the short tenors. The week-fixed rial deposit rate was quoted at 4 1/2 - 4 3/4 percent levels and there were few takers even at the 4 1/2 percent level. The one-month JIBOR was quoted around 5 1/2 - 5 3/4 percent level compared to prices of 8 3/4 - 9 1/4 percent for the same tenor during the same period a year ago.

The longer-dated funds are similarly being affected by this drop in rial interest rates and trading hardly takes place beyond the medium term tenors of 3 to 4 months. On Monday, the one-year rate was quoted at around 8 5/8 percent levels. This compares with 12 3/4 percent prices during the same period a year ago for the same tenor.

Local dealers are confident that prices will stabilize soon and that world markets in general were now caught up with a situation of falling interest rates which makes for difficult long or even medium term planning. The local exchanges were more buoyant Monday and rial spot prices were quoted at 3.4400-05 compared with 3.4398-02 opening levels. Commercial transactions were up over weekend closing levels.

In Europe, the Japanese yen was up by around 120 points over closing Friday levels to trade at 227.50 against the dollar. The French franc was stronger at 6.6010 from 6.6290 on Friday with little French central bank support.

The German mark, however, was unchanged at the 2.3320 levels due to the release of some latest German statistics which showed that the real gross national product for Germany fell by a provisional estimate of 1.2 percent in 1982.

In the other currency news, the British pound was still unsteady at 1.6003 levels despite some moderate Bank of England support, but the Swiss franc was firmer at 1.9210 from 1.9350 levels.

Bonn to lose match monopoly

COLOGNE, Jan. 10 (LOS) — West Germany's state monopoly on matches, which has lasted for more than 50 years is to be ended on the 15th of this month. But it is not the move of a new right-wing government determined to reduce the state's role in the economy.

It is simply that the monopoly will have no reason to exist after the 15th, when the last installment is paid on a loan made to the then German government by the near-legendary "Swedish match king" Ivar Kreuger.

For the consumers it means a little more color in their lives as the drab, standard-sized matchboxes they have known so far give way to the new designs that competition will bring. The establishment of the monopoly dates back to the days when most homes were heated by individual stoves and cigarette lighters were a luxury, the match was an indispensable part of daily life.

It also became a major economic factor, through the efforts of Kreuger, whose aim was a world match monopoly. It is said that at times he managed to gain control of 90 percent of the world's production. In the years after World War I he bought up most of Germany's ailing match industry and saw his chance to extend this control when the finan-

cially crippled Weimer republic was frantically casting around for funds.

In 1929 Kreuger clinched his dream deal. In return for his lending the government the then huge sum of \$125 million — at 6 percent interest — the state would establish a match sales monopoly. On top of the interest payments, Kreuger was to get 50 percent of the monopoly's profits, although this was later reduced to 25 percent.

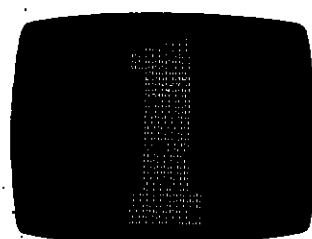
Kreuger himself died only three years after making the loan, and his empire collapsed, adding to the effects of the Great Depression.

His heirs, however, have continued to draw the repayments on the loan and the 25 percent of the profits from the Frankfurt-based monopoly which takes the entire production of West Germany's five match factories.

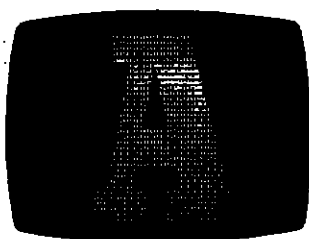
The previous Social Democrat/Liberal government considered the monopoly a relic of the past and had made plans to wind it up simultaneously with the last \$275,000 payment on the loan. The present conservative government sees no reason to change these plans.

It has, however, been a deal that benefited everyone involved. Even though prices were set from above it has always been a profitable enterprise for the manufacturers — and for the state, which last year took about 3 million marks from the business.

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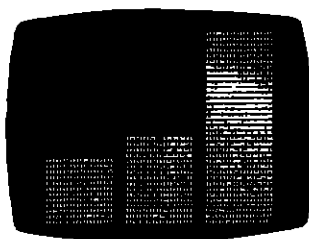
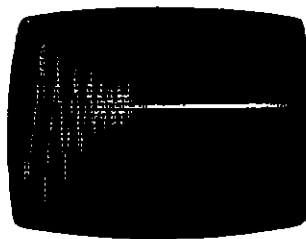


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Against gritty Connors

Lendl paces way to title with aces

CHICAGO, Illinois, Jan. 10 (AP) — Ivan Lendl was flush with aces, parlaying 24 of them into a 4-6, 6-4, 7-5, 6-4 triumph Sunday over defending champion Jimmy Connors in the final of the \$250,000 Lite Challenge of Champions.

The victory avenged Lendl's loss in the last meeting between the two—the final of 1982 U.S. Open.

Connors relied on his strength — the return of service — to neutralize the Czech's powerhouse delivery, which had resulted in 15 aces against Bjorn Borg in just two sets the previous night.

But even though Connors' success could be measured by the fact that he broke Lendl six times and extended him to deuce on nine of 14 service games the Czech did manage to hold, he could dodge only so many bullets.

The match also featured a five-minute delay when Lendl sat down after objecting to a line call. Connors used the respite to change shirts and visit with spectators around the court.

Connors shrugged off five aces by Lendl to win the opening set in 37 minutes. He built a quick 0-40 advantage on Lendl's serve in the fourth game, but couldn't complete the break

until he gained an odd point and Lendl failed to pass him on the backhand side.

Lendl climbed back into the set in the ninth game to get to 4-5. But Connors put him into another 0-40 hole on his next service, and captured the set when Lendl failed to



Lendl ... avenges defeat

retrieve a third straight volley.

Connors was extended to five deuce points on his first service to open the second set, but he held and reeled off the next three games.

Lendl, however, found the rhythm for his groundstrokes and began pounding the forehand with increasing confidence. Trailing 4-0, he broke Connors in the fifth, seventh and ninth games en route to six straight games and the second set.

Connors held his opening service of the third set, coming into net to drive volley winners. Lendl broke Connors' service at love in the third game, but the left-hander returned the favor in the sixth game to draw even.

But Lendl went ahead a second time when he rolled a backhand service return down the line for a break in the 11th game and held off Connors for the third set by closing it out with his 16th and 17th aces of the match.

Lendl began the fourth set strongly, breaking Connors in the opening game. The American strung together back-to-back return winners to break in the fourth game, only to have Lendl break back in the seventh game for a 4-3 lead.

Lendl held service in the eighth game with an ace, but failed to cash in two match points in the ninth game as Connors held serve to pull within 4-5.

In sudden-death playoff

Morgan grabs PGA opener

INDIANAPOLIS, Indiana, Jan. 10 (R) — The powerful East German women's team produced three more world best times but the United States won the gold medals race at the end of the U.S. International Swimming Championships Sunday night.

The East Germans finished with six of the seven new marks set during the three-day event. None of the times will receive international recognition because the competition was held over a short course instead of the regulation 50-meter pool.

The United States finished with a total of 16 gold medals to 12 for the East Germans. But in the women's competition, the East Germans led by 10 golds to seven.

East Germany's new marks Sunday night came from Cornelia Sirch in the 200 meters backstroke in two minutes 07.74 seconds. Birgit Meineke in the 100 meter, freestyle in 53.99 seconds and the 400 meter, freestyle relay in 3:41.74.

Meineke, who recorded her second world best, was also one of only two triple gold medal winners in individual events. The other was 17-year-old Jeff Kostoff of the U.S. national team, who won the 1,500 meter, freestyle Sunday night with a best U.S. time of 14:50.37.

American girls Kim Linehan and Mary McGehee swam to gold medals in the final session. Linehan won the 1,500 meters freestyle in 15:50.96, while McGehee was first by an eyelash over East Germany's Ines Geissler in the 200 meter, butterfly, in 2:08.23.

TUCSON, Arizona, Jan. 10 (AP) — Gil Morgan dropped a 22-foot (6.7 meters) birdie putt on the second extra hole and defeated Lanny Wadkins and Curtis Strange in a sudden-death playoff Sunday for the title in the Joe Garagiola-Tucson Open, the kickoff event on the PGA tour.

Morgan, who hadn't won since 1979, Wadkins and Strange all completed the regulation 72 holes in 271, nine shots-under-par on the Randolph Park Municipal course.

Strange, who has collected more than \$465,000 in the last two seasons without taking a title, reeled off a string of four consecutive birdies on his way to a closing 65. Morgan shot 67 and Wadkins, a three-time winner last season, had a 68.

The victory, the fifth of Morgan's career and his first since the Memphis Classic more than three years ago, was worth \$54,000 from the total purse of \$300,000. Strange and Wadkins each won \$26,400.

Strange and Wadkins each missed possible birdie putts on the first playoff hole, with Wadkins leaving it short from eight feet.

On the second hole, all three put their approaches 20-22 feet from the cup. Morgan putted first and made it. Strange and Wadkins each missed.

Cal Peete, the third round leader, missed the playoff by a single stroke. The winner of four American tournaments and two others in Japan last year, Peete had a two-shot lead at the turn, but suffered consecutive bogeys on the 14th and 15th and couldn't get it back. He finished with a 71, one-over-par, and

was tied at 272 with Andy Bean, Fred Couples and former Masters champion Fuzzy Zoeller. Couples and Bean each had a closing 66. Zoeller 68. Scott Hoch was another stroke back at 273 after a 71.

Johnny Miller, seeking a fifth Tucson Open title, had a share of the top spot after a first-hole birdie, but again fell victim to putting troubles. He finished with a 72 and was tied at 274 with Payne Stewart and Keith Fergus.

"One of the best ball-striking rounds I've had in a long time," said Wadkins, who was troubled by a balky putter all day. He did not make a bogey, missed only one green and almost chipped in there. He had one stretch of seven holes where he had it inside of 12 feet (4 meters) on all of them, and did not make a putt.

Morgan admitted to mild surprise at the victory. "I got it to nine-under (with an 18-foot (5.4 meters) birdie putt on the 12th) and though I had to get to at least ten-under to have a chance. But I just couldn't make a putt."

Gunthardt, Taroczy retain doubles crown

LONDON, Jan. 10 (AP) — Defending champions Heinz Gunthardt and Balazs Taroczy defeated Brian Gottfried and Raul Ramirez 6-3, 7-5, 7-6 Sunday to win the WCT World Doubles Tennis Championship at the Royal Albert Hall.

The Swiss-Hungarian combination became the first pair ever to win the title two years in succession. Gunthardt and Taroczy took two hours and nine minutes to down Gottfried and Ramirez, the former Wimbledon champions who had been bidding to win the WCT event for the third time.

Gunthardt and Taroczy earned \$72,000 for their hard fought victory, while the American-Mexican duo collected \$36,000 as runners-up.

The victors scored their second straight triumph over Gottfried and Ramirez.



Botham ... fined 200 pounds

Botham's opinion costs him dear

SYDNEY, Australia, Jan. 10 (AP) — England all-rounder Ian Botham was Monday fined 200 pounds sterling by touring team manager Doug Insole over his criticism of Australian Test umpires in a London newspaper.

And, as a result of Botham's alleged comments in the London *Sun*, England players have been banned by the Test and County Cricket Board (TCCB) from having their names associated with personal newspaper columns.

Botham was quoted as saying in the newspaper article: "You felt we had to get 12 of their wickets and they only had to get ten of ours. There were two bad decisions in the fifth Test and, if you look at the scores, they probably cost us the match."

Insole said he had decided on the 200 pounds fine for Botham as against the 250 pound maximum under the terms of the TCCB tour contract. Insole handed prepared statements by himself and Botham to the members of the press before the team's practice session at the SCG early Monday evening.

Splendid all-round show by Sohail

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, Jan. 10 — A fine all-round performance by Sohail featured in Zahid Tractors' emphatic 48-run victory over 1395 in the Benson & Hedges Cricket League last weekend.

His fiery four for three spell rocked 1395, chasing Tractors' target of 152 for five, and 1395 never really recovered from the early blows. Amin (25) and Booth (15) staged a brief rally and enabled 1395 to total 104 for eight in their allotted overs. Kumar (two for 14) was the other successful bowler for Tractors.

Earlier, Sohail cracked a quick 31 to boost Tractors' score. Arshad was the top scorer with 48, while Altaf chipped in with 28.

Pak Saudi registered an exciting 13-run victory over IAL in another match. Pak Saudi, batting first, mustered up 49 for nine with Nasim (44) getting the bulk of the score. Aizaz (12) and Rizwan (10) were the only other players to get into double figures.

IAL began their quest in earnest with Ali Zaidi and Jaffar (15) going great guns. But the fall of Jaffar heralded a slump and IAL could tally only 86 for nine in their 22 overs. Zaidi remained unbeaten on 30. Nasir returned with three for 11, while Sohail took two for 12.

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With Freeman McNeil leading the attack

Jets' bombing razes Bengals to rubble

NEW YORK, Jan. 10 (AP) — The New York Jets fired their cannon, the San Diego Chargers attacked by air, the Dallas Cowboys struck from all fronts and the Minnesota Vikings refused to fold in the first weekend of play of the National Football League playoffs.

The NFL's revised and expanded 16-team playoff format, necessitated by the 57-day players' strike that wiped out seven weeks of the season, also produced a few surprises and guaranteed new contestants for Super Bowl on Jan. 30.

The Jets, behind Freeman McNeil's record-breaking 211 rushing yards, crushed Cincinnati 44-17 Sunday afternoon, eliminating the defending American Conference champion Bengals from a return trip to the championship game. Last year's Super Bowl winners, the San Francisco 49ers, didn't

reach the playoffs.

In Sunday's other playoff games, San Diego edged past Pittsburgh 31-28 in the AFC and Dallas trimmed Tampa Bay 30-17 and Minnesota eliminated Atlanta 30-24 in the National Conference.

In Saturday's first-round matchups, the Los Angeles Raiders ousted Cleveland 27-10 and Miami eliminated New England 28-13 in the AFC and Washington blasted Detroit 30-7 and Green Bay whipped St. Louis 41-16 in the NFC.

Jets 44, Bengals 17: "When you've got a cannon, you're supposed to shoot it," New York coach Walt Michaels said. "Today, he (Freeman McNeil) was our cannon."

McNeil, who also rushed and passed for two touchdowns, gave the Jets their first playoff victory since Joe Namath led New York to victory in Super Bowl III.

New York, now 7-3, also got a playoff-record interception return from Darrol Ray. He sparked a three-touchdown outburst in the last period by picking off a Ken Anderson pass and streaking 98 yards for the touchdown. The Jets also got three field goals from Pat Gehring.

"We turned the ball over too many times, but I think the final blow was the interception that went for a touchdown," said Cincinnati coach Gregg, whose club is 7-3.

Chargers 31, Steelers 28: Dan Fouts' third touchdown pass didn't come a minute too late in leading San Diego over Pittsburgh. He hit Kellen Winslow on a 12-yard flare pass with one minute to play to rally the Chargers.

Fouts, who completed 27 of 42 passes for 333 yards, also hit Eric Sievers on a 10-yard strike and win it with an 8-yarder to over-

shadow quarterback Terry Bradshaw's 28 of 39 for 325 yards. Chuck Muncie rushed for 126 yards as San Diego improved its record to 7-3. The Steelers finished 6-4.

Cowboys 30, Buccaneers 17: Danny White led Dallas over Tampa Bay. He completed 21 of 45 passes for 311 yards and two touchdowns. Rookie reserve safety Hunter returned an interception 19 yards to give the Cowboys the go-ahead touchdown in the fourth quarter. Tampa Bay quarterback Doug Williams completed only eight of 28 passes for 113 yards as the Buccaneers finished 5-5.

Vikings 30, Falcons 24: Trailing 24-23 with 6:45 to go, Minnesota drove 72 yards with Ted Brown following a Ricky Young block to go in from the 5 with 1:44 left for the winning points.

Brown rushed for 82 yards despite being knocked out of the game in the first half with shoulder injury. The Vikings' defense yielded only 115 yards passing and did not allow the Atlanta offense a touchdown. Cornerback John Turner intercepted two of Steve Bartkowski passes. Minnesota improved to 6-4, while Atlanta finished 5-5.

Raiders 27, Browns 10: Jim Plunkett had one of his finest games, completing 24 of 37 passes for 386 yards in leading Los Angeles to its ninth victory in 10 games. The Browns finished 4-6.

Rookie Marcus Allen, who rushed for 72 yards on 17 carries and caught six passes for 75 yards, had touchdown runs of 2 and 3 yards and Frank Hawkins scored on a 1-yard run for the Raiders. Meanwhile, the Raiders' defense smothered Cleveland quarterback Paul McDougal, sacking him six times for 53 yards.

McDonald connected on 18 of 37 passes for 281 yards, including a 43-yard strike to Ricky Feacher. Cleveland's Matt Bahr kicked a 52-yard field goal to equal an NFL playoff record for distance set by the Browns' Lou "The Toe" Groza in 1951.

Dolphins 28, Patriots 13: Third-year pro David Woodley completed 16 of 29 passes for 246 yards and two touchdowns in helping Miami snap a four-game losing streak in playoff competition. The team's last victory came in the Super Bowl VIII in 1974.

Woodley had a pair of 2-yard scoring tosses to tight end Bruce Hardy and his passing set up touchdown runs by Andre Franklin and Woody Bennett. Franklin led the rushing attack with 112 yards and Tony Nathan added 71 for the Dolphins, 8-2.

New England's Steve Grogan connected on 16 of 30 passes for 189 yards and was intercepted twice. He also was sacked four times by the aggressive Dolphin defense.

Redskins 31, Lions 7: Alvin Garrett caught three Joe Theismann touchdown passes and Jeris White returned an interception 77 yards for a touchdown to key Washington's triumph. The Redskins are 9-1.

Theismann completed 14 of 19 passes for 210 yards and fullback John Riggins gained 119 yards on 25 carries against a defense rated No. 1 in the NFL against the run.

Detroit, finishing 4-6, took itself out of the game by turning the ball over on four of its first five possessions. The Lions only score came on Eric Hipple's 15-yard pass to tight end David Hill.

Packers 41, Cardinals 16: John Jefferson, who went through the regular season without a touchdown reception, made up for it against the Cardinals with six catches for 148 yards and two touchdowns.

Lynn Dickey passed for 260 yards and four touchdowns, including strikes to James Lofton and Eddie Lee Ivey as Green Bay improved its record to 6-3-1. Ivey also had a 1-yard touchdown run and Jan Stenerud kicked two field goals.



AIR DUEL: French soccer star Michel Platini of Juventus and Genoa's Faccenda (back to the camera) leap to reach the ball during the Italian First Division Soccer match Sunday. Genoa won the match 1-0.

Leaving 9 injured in Amsterdam

Bomb blasts disrupt Cup tie

AMSTERDAM, Netherlands, Jan. 10 (Agencies) — At least nine people had to be treated in hospitals Sunday for cuts they suffered when two shrapnel-filled home-made bombs exploded in the stands during a Cup soccer game here between Ajax of Amsterdam and The Hague police said.

A 23-year-old man was in serious condition with injuries to his legs, arms and stomach, according to police superintendent Wim Berendsen. He said police took nine people to hospitals, where he said several other injured had gone by themselves.

Berendsen said two bombs exploded during the match. The first explosion, which caused the serious injury and wounded at least four other people, occurred shortly before half-time. The second bomb was thrown in the middle of the second half and injured another four people, among them two policemen.

Berendsen said the two "probable culprits" — a 25-year-old man and a 16-year-old youth, both residents from The Hague — were arrested. He said two others were arrested for committing public violence.

Meanwhile, the draw for the English Football Association Cup fourth round, to be played on Saturday, Jan. 29, was announced.

in London Monday.

The draw is as follows: Newport or Everton v Shrewsbury, Oxford or Torquay v Southend or Sheffield Wednesday, Arsenal v Leeds, Aston Villa v Wolverhampton, Brighton or Newcastle v Sunderland or Manchester City, Coventry v Norwich, Middlesbrough or Bishops Cleeve v Notts County.

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Argentina's Osvaldo Ardiles will play in an away reserves match against Luton for his first appearance with London club Tottenham Hotspur since his return from Paris St. Germain. It was reported in London.

The little midfielder was unable to make his comeback in the F.A. Cup Saturday because his international permit had not arrived from France in time.

But even without him and other top player Spurs managed to beat Southampton 1-0 to take their series of victories in the Cup competition to 17 over the last three years. They have been holders for the past two years.

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VVV Venlo	0	PSV Eindhoven	3	Kortrijk	0	Bruges	1
Wageningen	3	Vercos	0	Aarts	0	Beveren	1
Excelsior	3	Twente Enschede	1	Lokeren	3	Standard Liege	0
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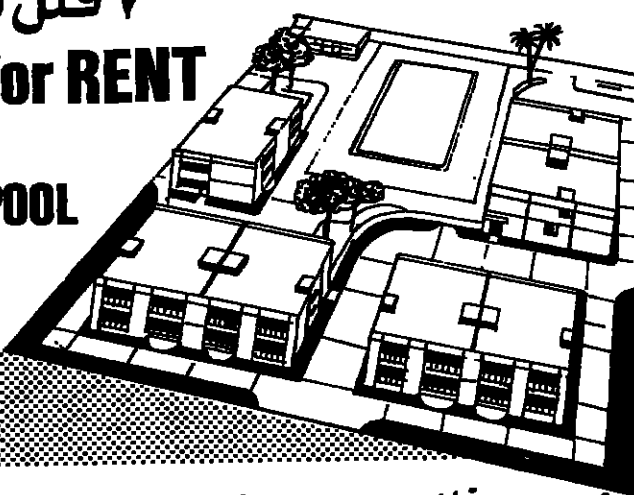
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Zhao, Mugabe assail S. Africa

HARARE, Jan. 10 (AP) — Chinese Prime Minister Zhao Ziyang and his host, Zimbabwe Prime Minister Robert Mugabe, attacked neighboring South Africa's racial policies Sunday night and expressed confidence that democracy will come to the white-ruled nation.

South Africa "has with impunity chosen the strategy to use armed bandits in a campaign to destabilize her peace-loving neighbors," Prime Minister Mugabe said at a banquet to welcome Zhao, who arrived Sunday morning. "We have recently perceived her in two incidents of naked acts of aggression as we crushed and annihilated her agents."

Mugabe was evidently referring to recent incursions by South African-backed guerrillas, at least nine of whom were slain in clashes with Zimbabwe troops.

Mugabe accused South Africa of "flagrant violation of international law and in abject disrespect for the independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity of its neighbors. And yet no real vigorous voice of condemnation emanates from those capitals in which my country and government have recently been subjected to criticism for the violation of human rights. What hypocrisy."

Mugabe, who maintains that South Africa arms and supports anti-government guerrillas in Mozambique and Angola, said South Africa was also "doing everything possible to resist the establishment of a democratic government and an independent nation" in South-West Africa, also known as Namibia.

"Despite this intransigence in this matter," Mugabe said, "we are confident that the gallant people of Namibia under the leadership of their liberation movement, SWAPO (South-West Africa People's Organization), will, as they deal the enemy one telling blow after another, soon become victorious over the forces of colonialism and imperialism, apartheid and racism."

Mugabe, who led Zimbabwe to independence April 18, 1980 after a seven-year guerrilla war, added: "We are also confident that the resolute struggle being waged in South Africa by the liberation movements there will soon set in motion a process leading to the establishment of democracy and the defeat of apartheid."

In reply, Zhao, on the ninth leg of a one-month 11-nation Africa tour, declared that Zimbabwe's independence "has profoundly changed the look of southern Africa and greatly inspired the Namibian people in their fight for national independence and the South African people in their struggle against racial discrimination."

Zhao added that "we are confident that with the support of the people of various countries, the Namibian and South African people will surely win victory for their just cause, and the day is sure to come when the colonial and racist rule in southern Africa will be completely eradicated."

Meanwhile, Zhao is arriving in Dar-es-Salaam Tuesday and the "excellent" relations between Tanzania and China are expected to be further enhanced.

Zhao, who is accompanied by a 60-member entourage including Foreign Minister Wu Xueqian, senior economic and political aides and a large contingent of newsmen and television cameramen, will have talks with President Julius Nyerere with a view to strengthening the existing cooperation between the two nations. The Chinese premier will also be the chief guest at a mammoth rally on the clove-producing Indian Ocean island of Zanzibar.

But the significance of Zhao's visit to Tanzania is linked by Western observers to the massive Chinese involvement in Tanzania's economic and social development, and the impact the Chinese have had on President Nyerere's political philosophy. China is many ways considered to have been taken as a model for several nation-building ideas in Tanzania — such as the practical element in schooling, the philosophy of self-reliance, the emphasis on agriculture-based development, the need for frugality and the education program which is today rated the best in Africa.

But the Chinese involvement in Tanzania, massive as it may be, should not be mistaken for influence. Despite the many years of special relations, no Chinese advisers have permeated into the country's civil service or into the hierarchy of the army — let alone into state house.

Zhao's predecessor Chou En-lai visited Tanzania during his marathon tour of Africa in 1964, and since then other senior Chinese leaders, including former Vice-Premier Li Xianian have also visited the country.

Tanzanian leaders, including Vice-President Aboud Jumbe and former Prime Ministers Rashid Kawawa and Edward Sokoine, have also visited China, while President Nyerere himself has been to Peking four times between 1965 and 1981.

Tanzania's friendship with China, which later virtually replaced Britain as chief supplier to this country, contributed immensely to the realization of President Nyerere's dream of building a rail link with neighboring landlocked Zambia.

Other projects are a pharmaceutical plant, a giant machine tool factory and the Sino-Tanzania cargo shipping line which has been earning this country a sizeable percentage of foreign exchange.

It is also understood that China is committed to help Tanzania's ruling Chama cha Mapinduzi party to build its headquarters in the projected new capital of Dodoma.

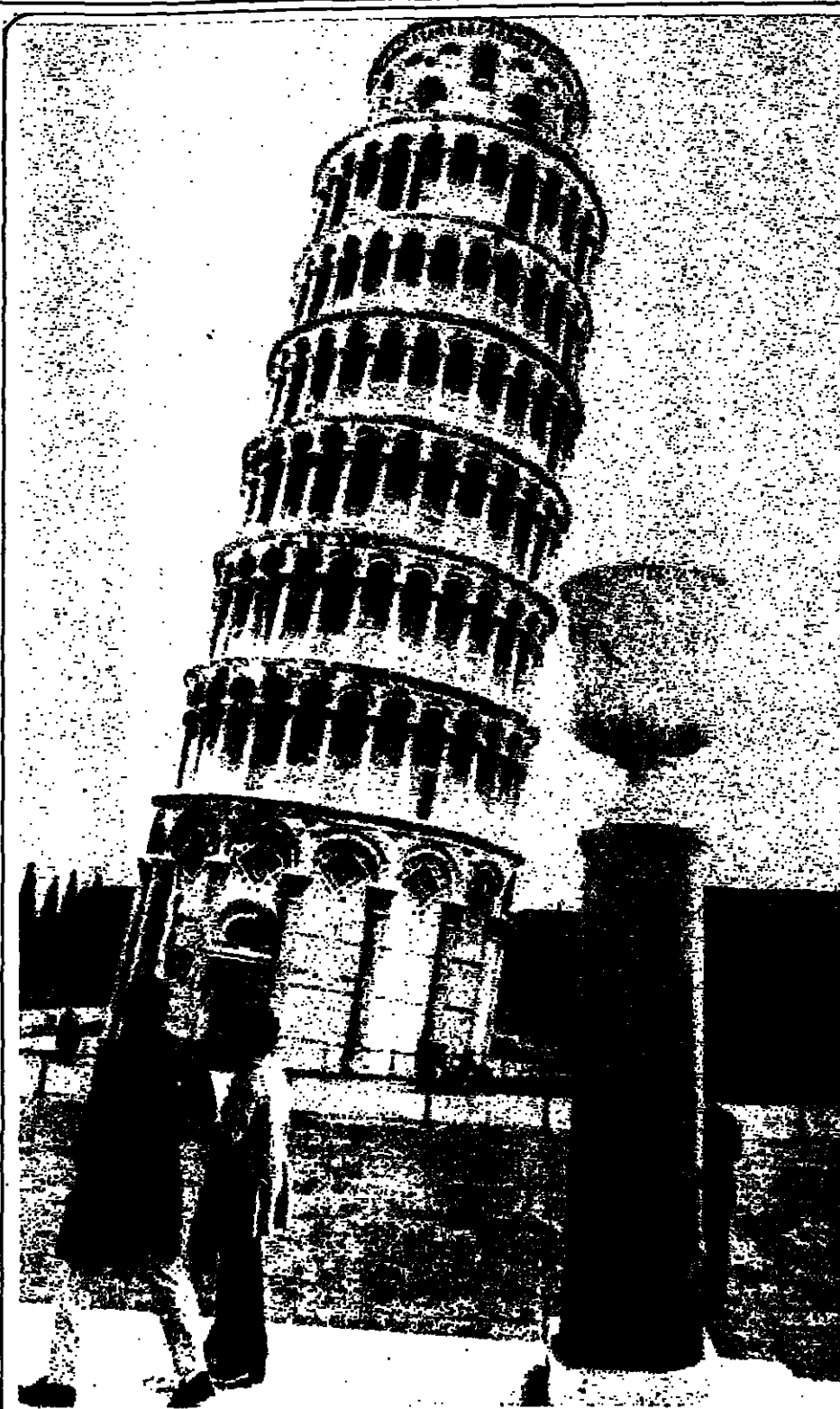
7 die as Brazil's mental asylum revolt is crushed

SAO PAULO, Brazil Jan. 10 (AP) — Six inmates and a hostage died when 200 police stormed the Franco da Rocha State Mental Hospital here to crush a rebellion and break-out attempt, police said Monday.

Investigator Nelson Ianella, who was at the scene, said inmates armed with revolvers and knives grabbed two asylum employees at about 5:30 p.m. Sunday (2030 GMT). The officer said it was impossible to tell how many of the 600 inmates were involved, "but the corridor was full." The inmates demanded a getaway car, but the police decided to use force. "Most of the inmates returned to their cells when they saw the police were coming," Ianella said. "Only the most defiant ones stayed and tried to kill their hostages, and they are the ones we killed." The 200 police moved three hours after the rebellion began, Ianella said.

One hostage, Jose Carlos Albino, was freed, but Jair Antonio Beraldes died in the shootout with police. The morgue said the asylum employee as well as the inmates were all shot to death and only autopsies would reveal if the employee was killed by the police or the inmates.

Ianella said police found five revolvers and some marijuana that inmates apparently discarded in the corridor when they returned to their cells. The asylum's 600 patients are convicted criminals and prisoners awaiting trial, all referred by judges for mental examinations and treatment.



TOWER OF PISA: Experts have revealed that the Tower of Pisa leaned a little more in 1982 — 1.19 millimeters. Professor Giuseppe Tinziolo, chairman of the city committee responsible for the tower, said in a recent interview that "it is bound to fall some time if we can't find a way to control it, although we don't know when it is going to happen."

Talks on major issues likely Nakasone visits Korea today

TOKYO, Jan. 10 (R) — Japanese Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone visits South Korea this week to try to improve relations clouded by historical enmity and marked in recent years by growing economic rivalry.

His trip to Seoul Tuesday and Wednesday for talks with President Chun Doo-hwan is Nakasone's first overseas tour since taking office in November. He goes to Washington Jan. 18 for talks with President Reagan.

Two Japanese prime ministers — Eisaku Sato and Kakuei Tanaka — have been to Seoul since the two countries established diplomatic relations in 1965. But their trips were mainly ceremonial and 64-year-old Nakasone will be the first Japanese leader to have talks on major issues. The visit comes at a time when the U.S., which bolsters South Korea's defenses against the Communist North with a large military presence and other aid, is urging Japan to shoulder a greater defense burden against rising Soviet influence in East Asia.

Japan plays no direct role in combatting what Seoul sees as the North Korean threat. Its relations with South Korea are based on economic and cultural ties. South Korean officials point out that their country spends around six percent of its gross national product (GNP) on defense while Japan's defense outlays are equal to just under one percent.

The imbalance in defense costs has been cited by South Korea as justification for its request to Japan for a big loan to help finance projects in its 1982-86 economic program. Japan rejected Seoul's initial request for a \$6 billion package in 1981 as too high. The Koreans dropped to \$4 billion and since then the two countries have been arguing over

the details.

Last week's announcement of Nakasone's visit has fuelled speculation that final agreement has been reached and the deal will be clinched during his talks with President Chun. The loan negotiations almost came to a halt in the row which erupted last summer over revisions to Japanese school history books.

The revisions, which Japan has now promised to correct by 1985, were particularly galling to the generation of South Koreans who received brutal treatment during Japanese colonial rule of their country from 1910 until 1945.

The issue also focused attention on more than half a million people of Korean descent now living in Japan who complain they are subjected to discrimination. Leaders of Japan's Korean community, itself divided between those sympathetic to the North and others to the South, say Koreans are excluded from the state pension scheme despite having to pay taxes.

Non-naturalized Korean residents of Japan, most born here, have to be fingerprinted by law at the age of 16. They are waging a campaign to have the practice abolished. Alongside the long-standing cultural and social hostility, economic rivalry is a more recent facet of Japan-South Korean relations. Japan has a trade surplus with South Korea — estimated by Seoul at about \$2.72 billion in 1982 — and President Chun is expected to press Nakasone to make moves to correct the imbalance.

At the same time, some Japanese industries are increasingly worried by rising competition from South Korean factories.

Philippines editor to defy order

MANILA, Jan. 10 (AP) — An editor charged with subversion and libel after printing articles critical of President Ferdinand E. Marcos said Monday he will resume publication of his opposition newspaper.

The editor, Jose Burgos Jr., whose press was closed by the military Dec. 7, said the newspaper would be printed Tuesday at an undisclosed location and would test government claims that there is a free press in the Philippines. Burgos made the announcement Monday during a hearing of the \$4.5 million libel suit in which American veteran Larry Guzman defended Marcos' war record.

"I believe that all the awards given to the president were earned honestly," said Guzman, 68, who fought alongside Marcos and other Filipino guerrillas against the Japanese in the closing days of World War II. The libel suit centers on an article published in Burgos' paper that questioned the authenticity of Marcos' war decorations.

Burgos said during a recess in the hearing that his paper will carry the name of a Filipino language weekly that was closed down by the military along with his English language *We Forum*.

The weekly *Ang Pahayagan Malaya* (the free press), has not been named in the libel case against Burgos and *We Forum* or in the government subversion case against Burgos and nine other *We Forum* staffers and contributors. All were released last month after eight days in military confinement.

Burgos said Tuesday's *Malaya* will carry seven pages in English and one in Filipino with 24,000 copies distributed through *We Forum* outlets. *Malaya* formerly printed only about 3,000 copies and was all in Filipino, the national language.

His own press, where both *We Forum* and *Malaya* were printed, remains locked up by the government, although Marcos denied a military proposal that his equipment be confiscated. Burgos said he plans to file an appeal to gain access to his own press.

Burgos' lawyer, Antonio P. Coronel, said *We Forum* published both sides in the Marcos medals controversy. Marcos is the Philippines' most decorated veteran of World War II with 32 U.S. and Filipino medals. Coronel showed the hearing, which will determine whether to send the libel case to trial, copies of *We Forum* editions headlining veterans' support of Marcos' war record, including one quoting Guzman.

Tindemans starts parley in Seoul

SEOUL, Jan. 10 (R) — Belgian Foreign Minister Leo Tindemans arrived here Monday for a four-day visit and began discussions on ways to increase economic and political cooperation with South Korea.

Korean officials said his talks covered Belgian interest in selling communications equipment to South Korea and joint ventures in third countries, especially in the Middle East. He is due to meet President Chun Doo Hwan, Prime Minister Kim Sang-Hyup, Foreign Minister Lee Bum-Suk, Communications Minister Choi Soon-Dal and Commerce and Industry Minister Kim Dong-Whie.



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Bahrein	16	61	17	63	cloudy	21	70
Bangkok	25	77	33	91	clear	9	58
Barcelona	22	72	26	79	cloudy	24	75
Beirut	10	50	16	61	cloudy	-16	3
Belgrade	2	36	8	46	clear	-1	30
Berlin	5	41	7	45	cloudy	8	46
Brussels	9	39	9	48	rain	-1	30
Buenos Aires	25	77	34	93	cloudy	3	37
Cairo	8	46	18	64	clear	-3	27
Chicago	-4	25	9	48	rain	7	45
Copenhagen	6	43	8	46	cloudy	15	59
Frankfurt	5	41	5	41	cloudy	20	68
Geneva	-4	25	6	43	clear	8	46
Helsinki	0	32	3	37	clear	5	41
Hong Kong	12	54	15	55	cloudy	-13	9
Honolulu	17	63	27	81	rain	24	75
Jakarta	24	75	32	90	rain	1	34
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Moscow	-1	30	2	36	cloudy	20	68
New Delhi	8	46	16	61	cloudy	8	46
New York	-1	30	2	36	clear	15	59
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Oslo	-3	27	5	41	clear	8	46
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